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## Quebec Separatists May Contest Seat

QUEBEC CITY (UPI)—Le Rassemblement Pour l'Indépendance Nationale (RIN), Quebec's largest separatist group, may contest one of the two coming provincial by-elections. RIN vice-president Guy Pouliot said here Wednesday night.

Pouliot was commenting on a front-page story in Wednesday's issue of the French-language daily "Le Soleil," which predicted the opposition Union Nationale party would

not contest the by-election in St. Maurice or Terrebonne ridings.

If the RIN does field a candidate, it would be the first time the four-year-old separatist party, which claims membership of 7,000, has gone to the people. It would also test just how strong its appeal was.

The elections, to be held three days before the legislature resumes, will fill vacancies caused by the appointment of an MLA to the bench and the ascension of another one to the legislative council, Quebec's upper house.

## Forget Monarchy Levesque Urges

MONTREAL (CP)—Le Devoir quotes René Levesque, Quebec resources minister, as saying the British monarchy is "a dusty affair that ought to disappear."

"There is an English section of the country that has much more difficulty than we have in getting rid of the old habit of monarchy."

"But the monarchy and everything that surrounds it is a lot of poppycock that should be disregarded, forgotten, as soon as possible."

## West Coast Yards

# STILL CHANCE FOR SHIP JOB

By DON GAIN

West coast shipyards have not been ruled out as possible sources of ships in the government's re-equipment program, Defence Minister Hellyer told The Daily Colonist from Ottawa Wednesday.

But there was little reassurance in the defence minister's replies to questions about his stand that the policy of allocating shipbuilding to different yards across the country is the "most inefficient way ever devised by man to build ships."

Regional tendering is the only fair way to handle contracts for the \$200,000,000 shipbuilding program, according to John Wallace, general manager of Yarrow's Ltd.

### COMPETITION

"West coast shipyards have a competitive problem they're going to have to look at very closely," Mr. Hellyer said. "They are high-cost yards but they haven't been ruled out."

The shipbuilding program includes four helicopter-destroyer and two fleet support ships, all expected to be built in Canada.

A submarine to replace the Esquimalt-based HMCS Grille, on loan from the U.S. Navy, will probably not be built in Canada, according to an Ottawa report.

### MEET HELLYER

Representatives of Canadian shipyards will meet Mr. Hellyer and other government officials next month for a briefing on the shipbuilding program, according to William Hudson, president of the Canadian Shipbuilders and Ship Repairers Association.

Mr. Hudson is vice-president of Burrard Dry Dock, North Vancouver.

The meeting was arranged some time ago, he said, but no date has been set.

### WEST COAST

"We expect to get a share of this work on the west coast," he said.

"It is inconceivable," said Mayor R. B. Wilson, "that all the work would be done in one place."

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## Spurns U.S. Assistance

## Nasser Admits Sending Arms to Congo Rebels

### Robarts Wants Ensign To Be Ontario's Flag

TORONTO (CP)—Premier Robarts said Wednesday he will ask the legislature to approve the Red Ensign as Ontario's flag.

The only change to the Ensign would be the addition of the Ontario coat of arms, Mr. Robarts said.

## Flaming U.S. Bomber Destroys Two Homes

DEBARY, Fla. (AP)—A U.S. twin-jet bomber exploded in flight Wednesday and disintegrated, crashing into a quiet residential street with a tremendous explosion and a ball of fire that destroyed two homes and damaged others hundreds of feet away.

The pilot, Cmdr. Cornelius V. Nolta Jr., father of six, parachuted out at low level and was killed. The bombardier-navigator, Lieut. Paul Stokes, 35, suffered a back injury in the last-minute bail-out.

But only one person in the homes was hurt. Another was badly burned.

The reconnaissance bomber

CAIRO (AP)—Egypt's President Gamal Abdel Nasser said Wednesday that Egyptians would tighten their belts and spurn further United States aid rather than tolerate what he called American interference in Egyptian affairs.

He charged the U.S. with aggression in The Congo and, for the first time, admitted the United Arab Republic was sending arms to the Congo rebels.

"We will continue to send arms to The Congo," he declared.

### ECONOMIC PRESSURE

Accusing U.S. Ambassador Lucius Battle of trying to put economic pressure on Egypt, Nasser said: "We do not accept pressure from anyone."

He told his cheering listeners the Egyptian people could tighten their belts to preserve their independence.

"If the Americans want to give us aid at the price of dominating our polity, I say we are sorry. We are ready to cut our rations and minimize our daily consumption to keep our independence," he said.

American and Belgian forces landed in Stanleyville and killed the people with their arms and we are against this killing," he said.

"We cannot recognize (Premier Moise) Tshombe as the legitimate representative of the Congolese people.

"We have sent arms to the Congolese rebels and we will continue to send arms.

## Ticker Tape Parade

Hustle and bustle of Toronto Stock Exchange took on festive tone Wednesday when Salvation Army musical group visited floor of exchange for brief program of Christmas songs. Trading continued normally, but musicians drew applause.—(CP)

## Transport Plane Crashes

### With Three Men

SAN BRUNO, Calif. (UPI)—A four-engine Flying Tiger Airline's cargo plane with three men aboard crashed into the San Bruno Mountain early today, the San Bruno Mountain early today.

An agency spokesman did not know the number of men aboard the cargo craft or if there were any survivors.

He said he presumed the only persons aboard the plane, Flight 915 out of San Francisco, were its three crew members.

The FAA air route traffic control centre at Fremont, which was in direct communication with San Francisco Airport, said the crash occurred minutes after the plane took off.

The aircraft was going to John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, an FAA spokesman said. "It took off at 12:29 a.m. and left the radar scope almost immediately."

San Bruno police said the Super Constellation apparently exploded after flying into the mountain above County Jail Road.

There are no houses or buildings in the crash area.

Police switchboards were flooded by calls from persons who heard the explosion.

"We thought it was an earthquake at first," one officer said.

Police said the explosion threw pieces of wreckage over a wide area with some persons reporting debris in their yards as far as a half mile away.

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### Khanh Plans Protest

SAIGON (AP)—Plans for an anti-American campaign that might include street demonstrations have been laid before South Viet Nam's military hierarchy by Lt.-Gen. Nguyen Khanh in the dispute over civil rule, informed sources said Wednesday night.

Ambassador Maxwell D. Taylor, who is in his sixth month as the U.S. envoy to Saigon, was described as potentially a specific target.

No immediate reaction was evident among leading South Vietnamese factions to U.S. State Secretary Rusk's call in Washington for shelving of personal animosities.

## Popular Soviet Resort

## The Merry Minsk Drunk Ward

MOSCOW (AP)—The government newspaper Izvestia complained that phoney alcoholics have turned hospital wards into resorts and, at the same time, get paid.

Furthermore, Izvestia said, they don't even have to give up vodka.

The article centred on the hospital in Minsk. But it said similar conditions prevail in other regions.

One engineer, Izvestia said, plays drunk and gets admitted once a year for a rest of a month or more.

Izvestia gave these reasons for the long waiting list:

Free hospital food, including ample second helpings.

Warm rooms, clear light, radio and television sets, chess, dominoes and a large supply of books available.

More than 30 hospital workers to provide service.

Patients, under the Communist system, are treated free by the state. In addition, patients get certificates from doctors which allow them to collect their regular salaries.

## Town Full of Mud

Mud and boulders swept in by flooding cover entire section of isolated town of Rufus, Ore., Wednesday. Debris littered town when water flooded from normally dry canyon at

upper left and washed out bridges to cut off town of about 800. Water system broke down and most of town was without electricity.—(AP)





## White Christmas Across Canada

# Snow Likely Won't Go

By CANADIAN PRESS

Prospects for a white Christmas and snow-covered surfaces for Santa's sleigh are increasing in most parts of Canada with southern portions of Ontario and Quebec likely to be the main exceptions.

The weather office says the heavy snowfall that has covered much of the West Coast, Prairie provinces and Northern Ontario and Quebec should remain until Dec. 25.

But the most southern Ontario and Montreal district can count on a few snowflurries, or possibly just drizzle.

### LAST-MINUTE GIFTS

While many Canadians are still bustling about in an attempt to pick up those last-minute Christmas gifts and making preparations for holiday parties, special police squads are running safety checks and general crack-downs on motorists in an attempt to deter reckless or drunken driving during the festive season.

The Canadian Highway Safety Council has predicted that 76 persons will be killed in traffic accidents in Canada during the Christmas and New Year's holiday weekends.

The toll for the 84-hour Christmas weekend, from noon Thursday to midnight Sunday, may reach 50, the council says. Last year 22 persons were killed in a 30-hour Christmas holiday period.

### SNOW EXPECTED

A disturbance moving in from the Pacific Ocean over Washington state is expected to bring colder weather to northern Michigan early today and colder weather and possibly snow to central Ontario tonight or Friday.

A storm in eastern Quebec dumped 10 inches of snow on Quebec City Wednesday and four more were expected later. One man was killed in a traffic accident during the storm and driving conditions were generally bad.

Although it is unlikely there will be fresh snow Christmas Day, weather offices in all four Atlantic provinces expect the existing snow will remain despite a forecast of light rain in some areas. Last year Halifax had more than six inches of snow Christmas day.

There was no sign of relief from the current cold spell in the Prairies that brought additional snowfalls averaging four inches to the southern regions of Alberta and Saskatchewan Tuesday night and Wednesday. Temperatures have been mainly below zero and brisk winds causing drifting in most areas have been forecast.

### Change of Heart

SANDY SPRINGS, Md. (AP) — A package which arrived at the First National Bank of Sandy Springs contained about \$19,000 of the \$20,746 taken from a branch bank by a holdup man Dec. 13.

### New 'Parents'

## Rare Gift Ready For 13 Children

EDMONTON (CP) — Christmas is bringing an unusual gift for 13 children, some of them handicapped or retarded, being cared for by a 46-year-old Edmonton woman.

The youngsters, of various nationalities, will get 450 new "parents" — the students at Sherbrooke Elementary and Junior High School.

The students plan to "adopt"

## Saskair Put Up For Sale

REGINA (CP) — Saskair, the Saskatchewan government-owned airline in service for the last 17 years Wednesday went up for sale for about \$1,000,000 on the condition that certain services now being supplied by Saskair are maintained.

Decision to negotiate for the sale of the airline, which operates 17 aircraft, was announced at a press conference Wednesday morning by mineral resources minister A. C. Cameron, minister in charge of the crown corporation.

"It could be sold within two weeks, if we get the conditions we insist upon," Mr. Cameron said.

The sale decision came after a three-month survey by Unic Research Corporation of Toronto, which bluntly stated Saskair had reached the peak of its development and would suffer continuing losses in the future in the face of stiff competition from private firms.

Saskair has operated at a deficit for much of its history.

Snowfall began to taper off in Manitoba as well as the other Prairie provinces with overnight clearing and mainly sunny weather expected in the Yorkton, Sask., and Brandon, Man., areas.

Adverse weather could mean added confusion to an already pressed transportation situation in most larger centres.

Air Canada announced it has added 186 flights to its regular schedule to handle the extra passengers.

Metrol Canadian, Victoria  
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### Flour Again For Russians

MOSCOW (UPI) — Russians will have flour for home baking over the New Year's holidays.

For only the second time in more than a year, authorities have arranged the distribution next week of thousands of tons of wheat flour to Russians who have not been able to buy it since shortly after the disastrous 1963 grain harvest which caused massive imports from Canada, and United States and other countries.



### Foraging For Food

Prancing down snow-covered steps and nosing for something to eat in trash box are two Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep driven from their natural feeding grounds near Glenwood Springs, Colo., by snow.

—(AP)

### Device Kills Car Exhaust

OTTAWA (CP) — The National Research Council has made public a formerly secret report on a design study of a device which would let motor vehicles operate in the Arctic without being engulfed by a fog created by their exhaust fumes.

Development of the device would provide a method to suppress or destroy exhaust fumes before they hit the frigid air and turn into fog.

## Milk Bank Saves Baby

WINNIPEG (CP) — Seven nursing mothers in Winnipeg are donating milk every day to keep alive a Brandon baby who can't drink cow's milk or formula.

The unique milk bank was established by Winnipeg Children's Hospital, which appealed Wednesday for more donors because four-month-old Alexander Pappas' appetite is growing.

As Wednesday, seven mothers were contributing about 16 ounces of milk to the hospital

bank which sterilizes it and sends it to Brandon every evening by bus.

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"That each of us and all of us in Canada, individually and together, might rise above our divisions and our differences; that understanding and brotherhood might replace emotions which divide God's family and strive, even, to divide our nation."

Mr. Pearson's Christmas message has been recorded for broadcast and telecast on Christmas morning.

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## Prisoner Panicked When Path Blocked

WINNIPEG (CP) — Jean Paul Fournel, a member of Montreal's old Santa Claus gang, testified Tuesday he had expected an attack that finally came July 25 in Manitoba's Stony Mountain penitentiary.

Fournel, 41, stabbed in the back following a penitentiary movie, told magistrate's court here he carried two drafting compasses, each with a sharp point, as defensive weapons.

Fournel testified at the opening of a preliminary hearing into attempted murder charges arising from the attack against two other Stony Mountain prisoners, Germain Bernard, 27 of Montreal and Staniford Roy Settee, 24, of Winnipeg.

ATTACKER

The attack came less than a month after Fournel was transferred to Stony Mountain from St. Vincent de Paul penitentiary.

Fournel was given life for non-capital murder after a policeman was killed in a bank holdup in St. Laurent, Que. Dec. 14, 1962.

He was chief crown witness at the trial of Georges Marcotte, another member of the Santa Claus gang, who was sentenced to hang for the slaying of the policeman, Const. Claude Marceau. His sentence was later commuted to life.

### MOVED TO B.C.

Fournel was apparently transferred to the Manitoba prison to prevent a revenge attack. After the Stony Mountain stabbing, he was moved to the British Columbia prison at New Westminster.

Answering questions from crown and defence counsel, Fournel said he felt a blow on his back in a corridor after leaving the prison auditorium.

A group of other prisoners, including Frank Perrault, a "partner" of Marcotte's, bunched together to block his way.

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## The Naval Program

THE FOCUS of local interest in the major defence spending program announced by Mr. Hellyer naturally centres on the naval construction scheduled. Six new warships are to be built, and large-scale conversion of seven present destroyer-escorts is also to be undertaken.

This is the realm in which B.C. shipyards are well able to contribute their skills and productive efforts to fine advantage, and the assumption is that the Victoria yards will get a justified share.

Some concern has arisen however over the statement by the defence minister that the allocation of shipbuilding to different yards across the country was the "most inefficient way ever devised to build ships." What Mr. Hellyer has otherwise in mind is not clear, but there are fears this may put the local yards out of the running because of the higher labor costs in B.C. and the freight rates differential from which this part of the country suffers.

If this is the core of Mr. Hellyer's thinking there are some factors he must remember.

It would not be efficient to let an industry go downhill on the ostensible plea of cutting costs, and B.C. shipbuilding is an important phase of the economic life of the nation. In a confederate state such as Canada a fundamental premise is that government spending should be spread across the country as this can be effectively done. Each area is entitled to consideration.

The apparent higher cost of shipbuilding on the West Coast can be misleading. A considerable part of the outlay is returned through taxes to the government, and thus to the national coffers, in all government spending confined to Canada—a good argument for keeping at home as much expenditure as possible on defence materials and equipment—and the higher cost here means a correspondingly higher return to the federal treasury.

More than this however is the obligation to see that confederation means in this connection what was part of the original compact, the allotment of all government plans for the collective benefit of the people as a whole.

And there can be no validity in the idea that naval shipbuilding should be confined to one area of the country.

It is planned also to secure a new submarine in the near future, and there is the suggestion this undersea vessel may be acquired from Britain. Why not from a Canadian yard? The skills of the Victoria area alone could build one, and this too would provide work and bolster the economy.

It is the spread of employment and consequent diversion of economic wealth that should govern the federal authority in all its spending programs.

## Limited Rights

ARE TENANTS second-class citizens, as it seems when they are barred from voting on municipal money bylaws? The question has been raised again in Vancouver, where The Sun, commenting without pride on the turnout of less than 40 per cent in the city's recent elections, finds some excuse at least for the tenant-electors who stayed away from the polls.

The point that has been made in partial exculpation of electors in this classification is that they must have less incentive to take an active part in the guidance of their city's or district's affairs, by way of the ballot, when it is implied that they are not responsible enough or do not have sufficient stake in their community to have a say on borrowing for and spending on development. This though, indirectly as part of their rents, they pay into the municipal treasury on the same scale as other residents; though they may on the whole be more cheaply supplied with local services than home-owners because of the concentration of most of them in apartment blocks, and though they are probably as stable an element of the population as any in today's circumstances.

Whether tenant-electors really take umbrage at this slight in any great numbers is anyone's guess, though the voting-turnout figures would seem to indicate so. But their relegation to an inferior position on election day appears bound to become more questionable if the trend to apartment living, now so much in evidence, continues.

## The Fright Before Christmas

Twas just before Christmas, and all through the House

Not a Grit 'bencher stirred, not even to grouse, For their stockings were hung and their requests writ with care

In the hope that Mike Pearson would soon see them there.

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter The janitor woke up—as mad as a hatter— When what should appear 'fore his eyes (large as cribs),

But a miniature cabinet cruiser drawn by six sorry Libs.

With a sad little driver with a face like a jester He knew in a moment it must be old Lester; More rapid than Socreds his cabinet they came And Mike swore and he shouted and called them by name.

"Now Maurice! Now Rene! Now Judy and Walter!

And Guy and Paul! Oh why did you falter? We were kings of the castle—on top of them all—

Now you've crashed us and smashed us and dashed away all!"

His eyes, how they glittered! His brow all a-wrinkle As salt on their wounds he did liberally sprinkle.

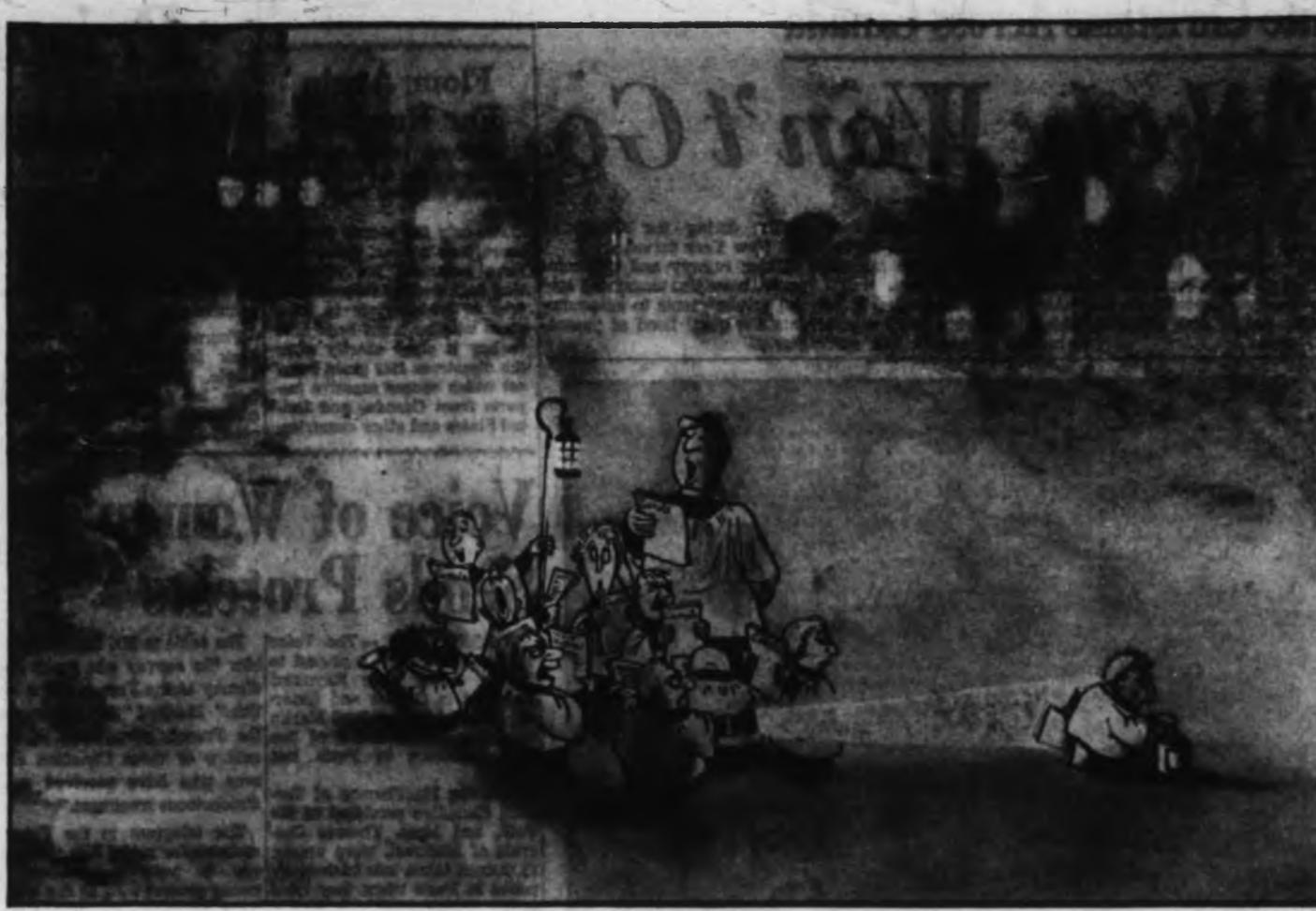
Neither cheery nor smiling, nor a jolly old elf, He caused them all softly in spite of himself.

He came to the Chamber, went straight to his chair, To fill cabinet vacancies from the lists that were there.

Then, laying a finger aside of his nose And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose.

He sprang to his cruiser, gave his team a Bronx cheer And away they all flew like the froth from a beer.

He was heard to exclaim as drove out of sight "Happy recess to all and I hope I've done right."



"Good Christian men, re-joy-oy-ace—and keep your eye on Smithy in this blinking fog." —London Express Service.

## Thinking Aloud

... of ships, and ships, and sailing was . . .

By TOM TAYLOR

JUST to take your mind off the weather we've been having, let us consider the plight of the Leaning Tower of Pisa.

You know about this architectural masterpiece, of course. How could you miss? Some of you may have climbed the circular route to near its 180-foot top. Others may have stood in front of local travel bureau windows, admiring its pictorial image and wishing they were there.

Well, by the juxtaposition that coincidence often provides, an Italian calendar for next year came to my office desk while I was reading a dispatch from Milan on this world-famous cathedral campanile.

And its inclination to one side is causing renewed concern.

It is now about 14 feet out of plumb, which is a big slant off the perpendicular, and the fact that it's been that way for many years doesn't provide the local authorities with much comfort.

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They are afraid it might topple to the ground any day.

Actually the tower base began to sink at one side during its construction from the years 1173 to 1350, causing it to become one of the seven wonders of the Middle Ages and a tourist attraction ever since. But of late the tilt has steadily become more pronounced even if in fractional fashion. And the more it learns the more the shift of the centre of gravity to the low side.

I was slightly annoyed by the statement that the Florentine architect who started its construction, Bonanno by name, had provided an inadequate foundation for the campanile, thinking that since this bell tower had lasted six hundred years and more he hadn't done too badly.

And remembering also the lack of technical methods and building equipment we take nowadays for granted. If our modern high-risers prove as durable we can put our backs.

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The problem facing the Pisa experts is, to borrow from Shakespeare, a case of "to do or not to do." One group favors taking steps immediately to correct the "lean," although they are not too sure how this can be done. Another body of opinion fears that attempts to strengthen the foundation might upset the present equilibrium.

The tower could last, if its rate of movement remained uniform, perhaps another 100 years, but this is an imponderable. Anything might accelerate the slant, an unduly strong gale or a slight earth tremor, for instance.

So the Italian government is sponsoring an international competition inviting projects for the tower's consolidation.

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It is explained that the easy way to resist any further deviation would be to buttress the tower by diagonal shores on the low side or by ropes fastened on the high side and anchored to the ground. But no one wants this method of security. It would destroy the artistic value that has made the tower a mecca for travellers the world over.

And the Leaning Tower can be credited with an annual revenue of some six million dollars because of its tourist appeal.

Well, that's how the master stands at the moment, or rather leans. Let's all hope you Victorians who want some day to see the campanile in person are not deprived by a fate which sends this historic structure crashing to the ground.

We have lots of new wonders to titillate our present era; but old ones are worth the keeping. And Pisa's famous bell tower is in that category.

## Washington Calling

By MARQUIS CHILDE from Cairo

IN the year now ending Egypt has been the setting for two Arab summit conferences and one nonaligned conference of 47 Asian and African heads of government. Both Moscow and Peking have sent their principal persuaders on missions to Cairo.

This is a measure of the skill with which President Gamal Abdel Nasser has played his hand. Against the background of a nation desperately overpopulated, living on the razor edge of hunger, it is a brilliant performance.

Nasser means to make himself the undisputed leader of the nonaligned bloc, which has close to a majority in the United Nations. And his driving ambition puts him more often than not in partnership with Moscow.

For American policy-makers Nasser over the last decade has been a baffling, frustrating opponent who cannot be pinned with one tag or another.

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With the burning of the United States Information Service Library and its 26,000 volumes by so-called African students—a plot obviously planned with full knowledge of the techniques of arson—the hand may have been overplayed. Ever since the fire and a subsequent stern protest by Ambassador Lucius Clegg, the Cairo press has been conspicuously free of the violent anti-Americanism that reached a peak just before the book-burning.

The fire-blackened rooms of the library—perhaps the best on the side of technical and scientific publications in the Middle East—are melancholy evidence of the violent passions that can be exploited in Asia and Africa.

The controlled press published not one line about the atrocities committed by the rebels in The Congo. The propaganda attack culminating in the book-burning was aimed at the Belgians and Americans as "imperialists" who "invaded the Congo" in a "military conspiracy" to restore colonialism.

Since 1952 Egypt has had \$1,200,000,000 in American aid, most of it in surplus food, which comes in today at the rate of

## Nasser's Brilliant Performance

By MARQUIS CHILDE from Cairo

\$140,000,000 a year. This help of Kuwait, with an annual revenue of at least \$800,000,000, has been "persuaded" to give Egypt a loan, spread over several years, of \$100,000,000. This could be a precedent for other wealthy sheikdoms.

Recently two American companies, Phillips Petroleum and Pan-American, a subsidiary of Standard of Indiana, have signed an exploitation contract with the Egyptian government calling for expenditure of \$75,000,000 over 10 years and a 50-50 sharing of any discoveries.

Cairo is the Arab cultural and religious centre, and this underscores Nasser's claim to be leader of the Arab world. He has had his troubles, notably in Yemen, where 40,000 Egyptian troops, sustained at a cost of not less than \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000 a year, have not achieved the "republic" of Yemen that is Nasser's goal.

Recently he had a strong stand for peaceful coexistence and general disarmament and against "neo-colonialism" and all foreign bases. Neo-colonialism means any economic interest of the Western powers in any former colony. This was echoed loudly in the speech that Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko gave at the UN General Assembly recently. By coincidence or design, the wave length appears to be the same; and this for the West is one of the great imponderables in reckoning the role of a figure who claims a place in the centre of the world stage, if only by reason of his own skillful strategy.

Most observers doubt that any real federation of the Arab states, each preoccupied with its own concerns and its own fortunes, is possible.

The propaganda radio screams invective at Israel. Lately a savage attack has been aimed at the cardinals who voted in the Vatican Ecumenical Council to absolve the Jews of the blame for Christ's crucifixion. But although this is a community of unfailing hatred it is hardly a bond of common policy.

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## Ottawa Offbeat

### Letters To Santa

By RICHARD JACKSON

JOLLY old Saint Nicholas, Needed much this year, Asked a flag for Christmas And got it now, no fear. How about some precious peace? That PMs never see? And the answer to Quebec Would surely tickle me —L. B. Pearson, Prime Minister.

\* \* \* Santa Claus from you I'd like Noise-removing gear; So we'll hear no more rumbles.

Of Tory changes near, "Great Reformer" I've been called.

But sure as my name's Die!, When another vote comes 'round,

I'll be back as Chief. —J. G. Diefenbaker, Official Opposition Leader.

\* \* \* As head of NDP, Saint Nick, Christmas came full size

## Judicial Bribe Inquiry

# Tremblay Describes That July Meeting

OTTAWA (CP)—Immigration Minister Tremblay, the first federal cabinet minister summoned before the Dorion judicial inquiry, gave his initial testimony Wednesday about events of last July 14, the night his executive assistant is charged with offering a \$20,000 bribe to Montreal lawyer Pierre Lamontagne.

Mr. Tremblay, to be recalled at a later stage of the inquiry being conducted by Chief Justice Frederic Dorion of the Quebec Superior Court, told of being introduced to a Pierre Lamontagne by his former assistant, Raymond Denis, in the ministerial suite of offices in the Parliament Buildings.

Mr. Lamontagne has testified that it was July 14 that Mr. Denis offered \$20,000, after Mr. Tremblay left them alone, to ease the release of Lucien Rivard, wanted in Texas on an indictment linking Rivard's name to the Mafia international crime syndicate.

Mr. Lamontagne, who swore he rejected the money, is counsel for the United States government which wants Rivard extradited. Rivard was arrested last June 19 and is still in Boreaux Jail at Montreal.

The immigration minister testified that at no time in the few minutes he was with Mr. Denis and Mr. Lamontagne was the Rivard case mentioned. He left the two to continue discussing the Bonanno case.

Joe (Banana) Bonanno had been under prosecution by Mr. Lamontagne's law firm acting

## He Doesn't Recall

Mr. Tremblay said he doesn't recall whether Mr. Rouleau got in touch with him about meeting Daoust. He had seen a letter from Mr. Daoust and instructed Mr. Denis to meet Mr. Daoust. He said the letter referred to the Bonanno case.

The minister agreed to supply a photocopy of the letter from the files and Chief Justice Dorion instructed Jules Deschenes, counsel for the federal government, to enter it as an exhibit when it is received.

However, Y. E. Fortier, counsel for Mr. Lamontagne, suggested in questioning Mr. Tremblay that there is not a letter dated before July 16. He served notice that if one is not produced he will have further questions for Mr. Tremblay.

While questioning Mr. Daoust earlier, Mr. Fortier said Mr. Daoust testified Tuesday he had met Mr. Tremblay here July 15.

Mr. Daoust replied he had actually met the minister. He had intended to. He, Mr. Denis and Mr. Rouleau met. The Bonanno case was discussed. He sent Mr. Tremblay his plea by messenger the next day. Mr. Denis informed him July 23 it had been rejected.

Mr. Daoust said Mr. Rouleau

## May Be Two Letters

At another point, Mr. Tremblay said it is possible there are two letters in the files.

Mr. Fortier said everyone at the inquiry had been taking it for granted that the letter exists. If it wasn't produced as Mr. Tremblay had agreed to do, he would have more questions for the minister.

Russ Drouin, counsel for the Progressive Conservative party, asked Mr. Tremblay the whereabouts of the original files in the Bonanno case.

Mr. Tremblay replied he is in the immigration department.

Mr. Drouin asked whether he record in the Rivard case also is in the department.

Mr. Tremblay said no, because the Rivard case is not an immigration matter.

Mr. Drouin asked whether Mr. Tremblay gave the RCMP a statement during investigation of the Rivard case.

Norman Matthews, counsel for the RCMP, told the court he was instructed to say Mr. Tremblay hadn't made a statement and hadn't been asked by the RCMP for one.

This occurred just before Mr. Tremblay took the witness stand. The 18 lawyers representing different parties at the inquiry have been supplied progressively with copies of any statements made by witnesses to the RCMP.



## Pact Signed For Lakes

MONTREAL (CP) — Six

Great Lakes shipping compa-

nies and the Seafarers Interna-

tional Union of Canada (Ind.)

have agreed on a new con-

tract that provides a penalty

of court action for walkouts,

boycotts or strikes, and grants

wage increases, a portable

pension plan and fringe bene-

fits.

Mr. Daoust caused a stir at the opening of the day's proceedings by demanding an interpreter to translate questions put to him in English.

The hearings have been con-

ducted mostly in French with simultaneous translation to English provided over portable radio sets.

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## 'Illegal Deal' Charge Brings Sidney Probe

A charge that Sidney village commission is involved in an "illegal deal" will be investigated by the municipal affairs department next month.

The probe is at the request of Comissioner Chairman A. A. Cormack because "all members of council are now under a cloud of suspicion."

It arose over a charge by Commissioner Andrew Bone at last week's meeting that an "illegal deal" was made in connection with the recent construction of the Sidney sewer extension project.

He claimed the "deal" was made with a Bowerbank Road resident.

The probe will take place early in January.

## Seiner Crew Lost

# RCAF Helicopter Rescues Hungry Men

COMOX — Seven Nanaimo loggers were among nine men rescued Tuesday by an RCAF Station Comox helicopter, it was learned Wednesday.

The CH-113 Voyager helicopter, only recently attached to 121 Search and Rescue Unit, left Comox at 10:45 a.m. Tuesday on another job—to search for a seiner which had disappeared on a trip from Ocean Falls to Bella Bella.

It found the wreckage of the seiner and its skiff at 1 p.m., then returned to Comox, and was then asked to get in touch with two logging men who were reported out of food at a construction

## Rations All Eaten

The loggers were Mervyn Lennabak, 23, Len Larose, 23, Andy Poje, 40, Pete Mieras, 29, Ole Skandal, about 40, Darti Perrin, 17, and Alex Honeyman, 63.

The construction workers were Ray Telford, 37, of Surrey, and Tom Truitt, about 27, of Vancouver.

Mr. Lennabak said the two McPhail Co. men and he and the other Kwatna Logging Co. men had eaten all the rations left at the camp for the McPhail men, who were to have stayed all winter as

"It all went in six days and Tuesday we were down to eating toast," he said. "We had a

## Saanich-San Juan

# Friendship Blooms In Island Blackout

A friendship between a Saanich couple and residents of the west coast of San Juan Island has developed over the recent power blackout on the U.S. island.

Aubrey and Ruth Squire, who have lived on the waterfront at 3000 Lockhaven Drive for 10 years, wrote to the mayor of Friday Harbor sympathizing with island residents.

**LETTER PUBLISHED**

The letter, written Nov. 22, was published in the local paper, The Journal.

The letter said the Squires had watched the lights on San Juan Island for 10 years "and with each new light have felt that we had gained a new good neighbor and welcomed it in much

## Plane Helps Santa With Christmas Gift

A high-flying Santa plane will land at Sibbel Bay Indian Reserve on Thetis Island this morning with part of a 4,000-pound Christmas present.

At the controls of the aircraft will be William Sylvester of Victoria Flying Services who has donated an airplane to fly 600 pounds of clothing to the Indian children on Thetis and Kuper Islands.

The navy will ship the rest of the clothing and food to the Islands next week.

The 4,000 pounds of clothing is the result of a three-day campaign which was started by a Sidney man, J.D. Fraser of 11050 Heather.

Mr. Fraser said Wednesday not all of the clothing is cast-offs. A dry goods store in Sidney donated several boxes of new clothing.

## WARM RESPONSE

"The response has been really wonderful," Mrs. Fraser said. "A lot of people have said they would have helped long ago but they didn't know where to send the clothing."

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## Christmas Magic Belongs to Very Young

# Bang! Crash! Santa Fell in Tub

Christmas could not pass on the news pages of The Daily Colonist without a special story by Sally Agnes Isham, reporter. Miss Hamilton does what most good girls do in front of the news Christmas morning—she goes back to the years of youth.

By BEA HAMILTON

It was the night before Christmas and, by all tradition, it should have been calm and expectant with stockings hanging and happy children's voices singing carols.

Well, there was a child's voice all right—mine. And it wasn't happy nor was it singing.

In fact, I was raising a fuss because I had heard my big brothers remark they were going to set a trap for Santa by leaving a tub of water at the foot of the stairs.

Agonizing Din

I made an agonizing din and, when my brothers saw and heard my distress, they promised they would leave Santa to wend his way as usual.

He would pick up his apple and a piece of Christmas cake, left ready on the kitchen table, and ho ho ho his way over the chimney tops after leaving our stockings bulging.

Feeling I had saved Santa, I was put to bed and told to go to sleep or Santa wouldn't come. My stocking hung comfortingly near and I kept feeling it to see if it had been filled.

Now, our old home boasted no plumbing or lighting beyond the old oil lamps.

To have a bath, members of the family took turns, heating water in the large boiler at

tached to the old kitchen range (an 1870 Mayflower), a huge thing which took up a good part of the large kitchen-living room, and also by pots of water heating on the stove.

Anxious Child

This Christmas Eve, one member of the family decided to wait until all had gone to bed before having a bath. Then the round washtub, the largest one could buy, was brought in from the

pantry and placed beside the Mayflower.

Finally about 11:30 I dozed off, and then I heard:

Bang! Crash! Santa had fallen into the tub!

I reached out fearfully to touch my stocking and, wonder of wonders, Santa had filled it before he fell into the water.

All was well and I hugged my shocked—he might never come back into the pantry.

I was relieved. I had heard Santa going away, dry. He had even taken the red apple and plum cake.

Absolute Proof

Oh, yes, a little girl knows lots of things big brothers don't know. She hears the tiny hoofs and the big, warm chuckle of Santa and she has absolute proof in her stocking filled with things no one in the family ever thought of—even fruit with a distinctive North Pole flavor.

So I thought many years ago, and today, if I could have a Christmas wish, I'd wish that every little child could have the magical Christmas that is the rightful heritage of the very young.

The Babe in the manger, peace on earth, Santa and his

tiny reindeer—all fancies and myths if you like, and also thrilling mysteries of things hard to understand.

I'd stretch the longest night of the year, Christmas Eve, to even longer hours, for these are the things no little child should miss if he or she wants to grow up to be an understanding man or woman.

And no adult can understand a child until he has enjoyed the unique sensation of believing in the unbelievable, as only a tiny child can.

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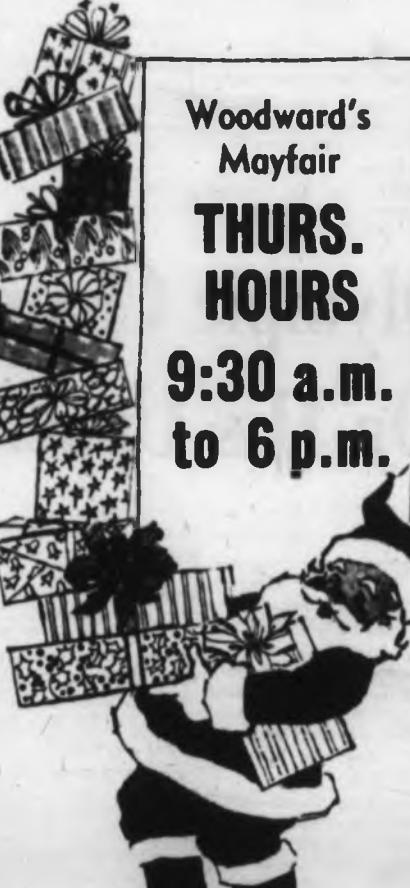
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## Larceny Goes Festive

Victoria district's larceny set

is getting the Christmas spirit.

Police reports note theft of a dozen Christmas trees some time Tuesday night from a sales lot at Pandora and Cook.

Operator William Tambling told police he checked the truck at the lot around midnight and found it ransacked. A check of his trees showed 12 short.

In Saanich a youthful thief stripped a decorated fir tree of 18 colored light bulbs.

The tree's owner saw a youth run from his yard at 3949 Cedar Hill Road Tuesday night at about 10 p.m. He found the lights missing when he checked the tree.

A child's piggy bank containing \$5 was reported stolen after the home of Louis Nagy, 3230 Admirals Road, was broken into Wednesday night.

One of the letters, from Helen and Chester Caton, thanked the Squires for their "heart-warming" letter.

**WE TOO, WATCH'**

"We, too, sit at our dining table and watch for your light," the letter said.

"It is nice to know that we have been thinking of us during the emergency, and we hope you will plan to come to the island and visit us in the near future. God bless and keep you."

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## Pros Try Helmets

QUEBEC (CP)—For what is believed to be the first time in professional hockey, a team has required its players to wear helmets during games.

Robert Martineau, general manager of the American Hockey League Quebec Aces, said Wednesday this long-considered decision was taken after injuries to two players.

Defenceman Jimmy Morrison fractured his skull in a fall to the ice in a game against Cleveland Barons Dec. 10. Another rearguard, John Hanna, suffered a concussion last Sunday in a game at Providence.

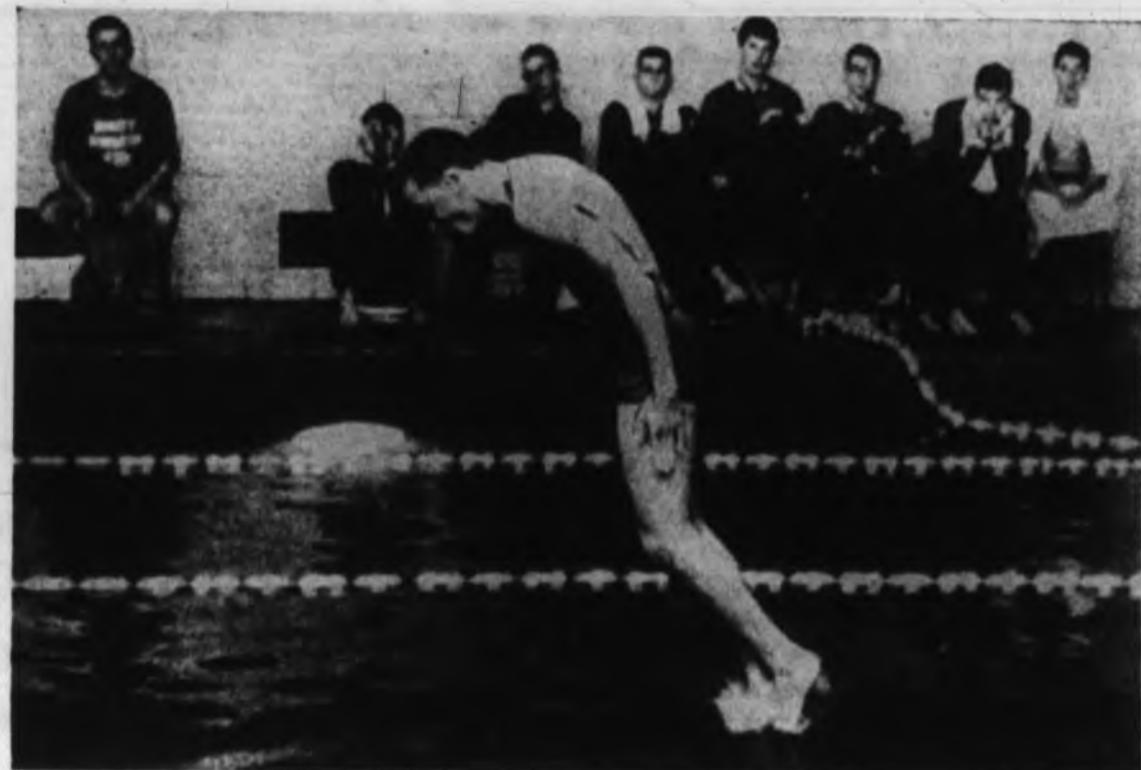
Morrison will be sidelined for some time while Hanna should return to the team for two weekend games against Springfield and Rochester, he said.

The headgear has been made compulsory in most Canadian amateur leagues.

### Boundaries Bit Risky

HOLYPORT, England (CP)—Cricketers in this Dorset village have a problem. A road runs across the outfield of their cricket ground and fielders risk their lives chasing balls to the boundary.

Traffic has increased during the years and now has reached the stage where batsmen pile up runs while fielders wait for a break in the flow of cars.



### Walking on Waves

Fast camera lens seems to catch Minnesota high school student Dean Johnson walking on water during

recent meet. However, he was just completing dive.—(AP)

### Canadiens Win, 2-0

## Charlie Hodge Holds Off Rangers

Fine goalkeeping by defending Vezina Trophy winner Charlie Hodge last night enabled Montreal Canadiens to blank New York Rangers.

Yvan Cournoyer fired the Montreal goals, both in the second period, as the Canadiens won their ninth game in their last 12 outings.

Jacques Plante made his first Montreal appearance of the season in the New York nets and was outstanding against his former mates, who poured 36 shots at him.

The reeling Rangers have now registered only one tie in their last seven games and remain mired in fifth place, six points behind Toronto Maple Leafs.

Hodge, in turning in his second shutout—his first was also against New York, took over the lead in the Vezina trophy race.

Once again he had to save the game for the Habs in the third

period, making big saves on Lou Angotti and twice on Earl Ingarfield, as the Rangers came alive in the largely uninspiring game before 15,313 fans, the second smallest Montreal crowd of the season.

Bob Rousseau assisted on both Montreal goals. Balon got the first at the four-minute mark of the second period from a scramble, and Cournoyer, who has had difficulties in his first pro year, blasted a 45-foot bullet shot to beat Plante at 7:46.

Montreal played most of the game without centre Jean Beliveau, who sprained his left knee after being checked at the start of the first period. He never returned to the ice.

Two players who figured Monday in a four-player trade between the two teams made their debut with their new mates.

Dick Duff, a seasoned left-winger Rangers got from Toronto Maple Leafs last season, took a regular turn with Canadiens. He started the game on a line with Rousseau and Beliveau but worked with different

combinations following Bell's injury.

Balon to Rangers, played on a line with Jean Ratelle and Bill Hickey, who moved from Vic Hadfield.

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### I Was a Teen-Age NHL Star



Leafs' rookie Ron Ellis

## Ducks Stop Bluebird Armed Escort Today

PERTH, Australia (UPI)—It will be suitable for the record Britain's Donald Campbell said attempt. No lake is any good Wednesday he will use when the wind blows. This is "armed escort" to scare away any more aggravating because all we need is three hours of glass Lake Dumbyleng where he is preparing for an assault on his water-speed record.

Campbell said men, armed with rifles, will sit in five official boats near the course firing volleys just before he begins his test runs. The ducks stopped trials Tuesday.

High winds and rough water Wednesday forced Campbell to abandon taking his hydroplane, Bluebird, out for further trials. Prospects for today are also dim, then comes the Christmas holiday.

The Briton, who earlier this year won the land-speed record for himself with the Bluebird, said: "It is too soon yet to decide whether Lake Dumbyleng has been blocked by snow all week."

Firsov led the fast-skating Russians with two goals each. They representing the WJHL had suffered defeat at the hands of a touring Russian club. In other years, Trail beat Russia 7-6 and handed Czechoslovakia a 4-1 defeat.

The Russians leave Trail today for Spokane, where they will play the Smoke Eaters, each game probably a spend Christmas. From there they will travel to Colorado for a tournament Dec. 27 with the Czechoslovakian and Canadian national teams at Colorado Springs.

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## Rough Year For Baseball

By JACK CUDDY

NEW YORK (UPI)—Major league baseball will endure a torrent of criticism in 1965 before realignment enables it to win back its prestige as America's No. 1 sport.

That's the substance of a confidential report given to baseball club owners this winter and currently being studied because of the necessity of naming a successor to retiring commissioner Ford Frick next year, right after the World Series.

### LAKE DUCKS

The report warns club owners that 1965 will be another year of unrest in which the problems of expansion will cause heavy criticism of the game. The Milwaukee Braves' "lame duck" season in Milwaukee probably will cause the most discomfort, followed by the Indians' "last-chance" year in Cleveland.

Baseball was humiliated last month when Milwaukee business men prevented the Braves from transferring the franchise to Atlanta, Ga., by obtaining a restraining order in court.

### WIN NO FRIENDS

Now the Braves must play out the 1965 season under unprecedented conditions—conditions certain to win no friends for them or baseball as a whole.

The Indians flirted openly with Seattle, and then decided at the last minute to remain in Cleveland for at least another season. They, too, are likely to be subjected to heavy criticism unless they develop into a crowd-drawing permanent contender in 1965.

### WELL COME

Frick, who is currently drawing up a report suggesting the qualifications his successor should have, told club owners in Houston that baseball will bring back all its favorable public image once the owners have stabilized the two leagues.

This stabilization problem is the greatest facing baseball during 1965, but there are other big question marks hanging over personalities and clubs.

### ON SPOT

The man on the spot, of course, will be manager Johnny Keane of the New York Yankees. Johnny was widely hailed for his courage in quitting the St. Louis Cardinals after leading them to the world championship, but he'll be rooted by the same fans if he doesn't win an American League flag with New York.

Second only to Keane as a man on the spot will be August



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## Olympic Champ On His Uppers

PHILADELPHIA (AP)—Joe Frazier, winner of the Olympic heavyweight boxing championship in Tokyo last October, faces a bleak Christmas. He is suffering both physically and financially.

The 21-year-old Philadelphia slaughterhouse employee said he has not received a pay cheque since the first week in September when he left for Olympic training.

In his semi-final Olympic bout against Russia's Vadim Yemelianov, Frazier broke his left thumb. He fought with the broken thumb and defeated Hans Huber of Germany in the final.

**NEW CAST**

His hand was in a cast for almost two months. Three pins that held the bone in place were removed Monday and a new cast put on.



### Wylie Quits

Calgary Stampeders' Harvey Wylie, 31, Western Conference all-star defensive back, has quit football because of business pressure.



According to the Solunar Tables, the best times for fishing and hunting during the month of December will be as follows:

(Times shown are Pacific Standard Time)

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**TOMORROW**

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### Still Room At Esquimalt

There are still openings for two rinks in the Esquimalt Sports Centre's fourth annual Christmas bonspiel on Saturday. Entries will be accepted until 10 a.m. Saturday morning, when the opening draw gets underway.

Twenty-two rinks are slated to compete in the event. The draw follows:

1. B. Duncan vs. W. Winkler  
2. G. Campbell vs. G. Hart  
3. R. P. McEvoy vs. G. MacKenzie  
4. L. Hynes vs. D. Dodge  
5. D. Mathews vs. B. Tait  
6. W. Young vs. Max Grund  
7. G. McEwan vs. R. Merritt  
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9. A. Smith vs. J. Mahy  
10. D. Thompson vs. H. Summer  
11. G. Oliver  
12. M. French vs. J. Wood  
13. D. B. Brown vs. G. McEwan  
14. Balance of this draw to be filled by winners and losers of 9 am draw.

Still Room At Esquimalt

## Russians Score Sweep In Cross-Canada Tour

TRAIL (CP)—Russia's national hockey team banged in a pair of goals in the final two minutes of the third period here Wednesday to hand the Western

International Hockey League All-Stars a 9-7 defeat before a sell-out crowd of 3,600.

Victory enabled the Russians to record an unbeaten eight-game tour against Canadian competition. They scored last night's high-scoring victory despite a grueling trip from Cul- Trail to the previous night.

The bus carrying the players from Calgary to Trail was delayed by slides in the Crownest Pass through the Rocky Mountains and on the Kootenay Skway.

### PEPPY PAGE

Despite the lack of proper rest, the Russians set a peppy pace for the All-Stars, firing 45 shots at an old foe, Seth Martin, in the Stars goal.

Each team scored four times in the first period and twice in the second. The All-Stars held a 4-2 advantage at one time.

Boris Mayorov and Anatole

Norm Lenardon and Gerry Penner, a pair of forwards from Trail Smoke Eaters, each came probably a spend Christmas.

From there they will travel to Colorado for a tournament Dec. 27 with the Czechoslovakian and Canadian national teams at Colorado Springs.

### Conditions Excellent

High winds and heavy snow

have not stopped the

Skiers from getting out

on the slopes.

With the

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## Garden Notes

# All About Holly

By M. V. CHESNUT, FRHS

At this season of the year especially, I imagine just about every homeowner would like to have a holly tree in his garden, but a lot of folks are deterred from buying and planting one in the mistaken idea that it will be many years before the thing produces any berries.

It is true that holly is a slow grower, but not that slow; I have seen trees of some varieties beautifully decked out in their Christmas finery while no more than four feet tall.

Botanically, holly is *Ilex*, an old Latin name for the evergreen Holm oak tree, to which holly is supposed to bear some resemblance.

The popular name holly is old Anglo-Saxon for holly, so called because, according to legend, the plant first appeared in the footsteps of Christ, the scarlet berries symbolizing the blood that was shed on the Cross.

In some parts of Europe the prickly kind is known as *holy holly* and the smooth-leaved varieties as *she-holly*, and superstition claims whichever kind is used in the home for Christmas decoration will indicate whether husband or wife will wear the pants during the forthcoming year!

It is hard for us to realize today that

for many centuries holly has been valued for its medicinal properties.

In former days the juice of the leaves was esteemed as a cure for pleurisy, jaundice, tetanus, smallpox and various afflictions of the eye. Culpepper recommended fomentations made from bark and leaves to mend broken bones.

Even today the leaves of some varieties are dried and used as a substitute for tea. The best known is *Ilex paraguaiensis*, a South American holly that grows on the river banks and along small streams.

This has been popularized under the name of *Yerba Mate* tea, supposedly with valuable tonic properties.

The leaves of our common English holly, though, are known to contain the same herbal properties as *Yerba Mate*, although perhaps not with the same fine flavor, and can be dried and crushed and either mixed with ordinary tea or used as a substitute.

Holly trees come in male, female and hermaphrodite forms. The male trees bear no berries; the females develop berries only when a male tree is nearby to pollinate the blossoms, or when the open blossoms are artificially pollinated with a tomato-setting hormone spray, producing seedless berries.

The hermaphrodite types will set a

good crop of berries even when growing alone, and it is important, when only one tree, is to be grown, to purchase this type. Seedlings, while excellent for hedges, are completely unpredictable as to sex and berrying capacity.

The tree we see most often hereabout is the common English holly, *Ilex aquifolium*, with prickly pointed leaves and scarlet berries, but there are many variations and sub-varieties available.

A selected strain known as *Si-ll* is preferred by commercial growers for its reliability and good berry production. *Ilex aquifolium pyramidalis*, the so-called Dutch holly, is one of the hermaphrodites, producing berries without a mate, but is not so wrinkled in the leaf.

The variegated kinds are particularly attractive as Christmas decorations. *Golden King* is especially fine, with a narrow band of pure gold around the margin of the leaf.

*Golden Milkmaid* is the reverse, yellow leaves with a margin of green, while *Silver Queen* have deep green leaves margined with silvery white.

Incidentally, the man who named *Golden King* and *Silver Queen* got his sexes crossed. *Golden King* is a female, while *Silver Queen* is a berry-less male!

STAN DELAPLANE Recalls Boyhood Christmas

## No Santa for Bad Boys!

Here we are once again on the very trembling brink of Christmas. Once, I remember, this was the Longest Day.

It was the Longest Day because it seemed that Christmas would never come. Or anyway, small boys would never live to see it. Not good boys anyway.

In those good days, boys were reined up to Christmas like race horses approach the barrier. All snoring and prancing and being touched up with the jockey's whip.

We were jockeyed by our female kin, aunts, grandmas, mothers.

The closer The Day, the gooder we had to be.

"Santa Claus doesn't come for bad boys," they said.

And so, reluctantly, we would have to stop whatever we were doing. Whatever it was, it was fun. Whatever we were supposed to do was agony.

We wore the days before Christmas like a hair shirt.

In fact, I got so good that I was afraid I would be snatched to heaven. Before Christmas could get there.

My Sunday school teacher was always reading stories about moppets who were snatched to heaven. Mainly because they were too good. Too good to live on earth.

The ones who were snatched (in the Sunday school stories) were tykes with golden, curly hair. A type I detested but was afraid to say so.

They were cheerful in adversity. Sold papers on the corner and brought home the money to their families.

They carried wood. They did farm chores. And then one day, they sicken-

ed. "Alas," said the teacher, youth of my time. Knots in our psyche which are making psychiatrists rich men today.

Then they were snatched to heaven.

"Snatched to eternity!" cried the Sunday school teacher. He was a young man and seemed to

This set up conflicts in the enjoy these stories.

## Carol Born Of Despair

Two cold and weary men trudged despondently through the gale-swept streets of the little town of Oberndorf, Austria, one night 186 years ago. They were downcast because their plan for a festive Christmas had been upset by mice which had eaten holes in the bellows of the church organ. So there was no music.

As the pair walked silently along, leaving St. Nicholas Church behind them, the bitter wind suddenly died and the skies cleared. Looking up at the stars one of the men, Oberndorf's young parish priest, Josef Mohr, 26, sighed . . . "Silent night, holy night . . ."

Still unhappy about the organ, and perhaps a little ironically, Father Mohr walked on a few steps, then added "All is calm, all is bright."

Beside him his friend, church organist and schoolmaster Franz Gruber, heard the words, ran them around for a moment in his musician's mind and an idea came. "Josef," he said, "those are the words for a Christmas carol!"

The two friends went at once to Gruber's home and worked out more verses and music to go with them. It took them the best part of that cold night. They hummed and sang it together—and liked it.

When, on Christmas Eve, the townspeople gathered in St. Nicholas Church to celebrate the birth of Christ, Father Mohr and Gruber first coached and then led them in singing the simple words of praise set to Gruber's flowing and easily remembered melody. The hymn was sung to the accompaniment of a guitar.

That essentially is the story of how the world's best loved Christmas carol was given to the world in 1818.

It was not until about 1830, 12 years after it was written, that the carol spread beyond the Alps and then gradually around the world.

## Bible Not a Children's Book

By STUART ROSENBERG

The world's most famous book is perhaps also one of its most misunderstood.

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The Bible has been translated into virtually every living national tongue. And yet, it is still treated by many people as a kind of collection of fairy tales, intended for parents to read to children before bedtime. Or, at best, as a subject of religious instruction on the most elementary, childlike level.

Indeed, most adults don't think of the Bible as a serious, weighty Book of Life; they

think, instead, of Bible stories, imaginative tales which are treated as fantasies, as a popular form of pre-modern fiction.

Yet, history suggests that any book which has stood the test of time and circumstance must surely have more significance than this mere juvenile value.

Essentially, the Bible records the history of an attitude toward life—a spiritual attitude. The Bible is a book intended to make adults of us. For its essential, persistent query is: What is my duty, my responsibility and obligation?

Children, because they are yet children, always ask: What's in it for me? What do I get out of it? This is why the Bible is really not juvenile literature, at all.

One of the great calamities that has befallen the Bible is that it is read by adults to children, as if it were really only intended for children. As a result, nobody takes it too seriously, any longer.

Children "outgrow" it as they grow older; they may fondly reflect upon it with nostalgic sentiment, but with the flutter of passing memory, toss its contents clearly out of mind.

But the Bible cannot be read; it must be re-read.

It is written in the "forgotten language" of ethical suggestion and symbolic imagery. While many adults tend to ignore or disbelieve the facts of history it may describe, they miss the point if they are seeking to find in the Bible a news-report of ancient events.

They won't find news reports, but they may, if they know how to re-read, discover editorial comment on the passing scene—ancient or modern. For, like any great work of art—and the

Bible is a masterfully artistic book—it does not attempt to portray truth merely by depiction.

The truths of the Bible are not merely those events which can be proved by seeing a picture, any more than the artist's conception of nature and its meaning needs to be validated by placing a photograph of the scene by the side of his painting.

"How do you feel about what you are seeing?" and not, "What do you see?"—this is the more important question, for in the end, it helps to provide men with the more important answers to life.

The lines of life are important to observe; but only he who is capable of reading between these lines begins to appreciate the subtleties of human nature. This is the crowning achievement of the mature personality; it cannot be the pastime of children.

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Bible is essentially a book which helps us to read between life's lines, it is often wasted on youngsters, who are not quite ready for it. As a result, adults never read it properly, for they are not willing to learn how to re-read it.

All adult education must be linked to programs of re-education; we need to un-learn and re-learn all the time. Unhappily, the Bible will become a forgotten book, unless it becomes a book for adults.

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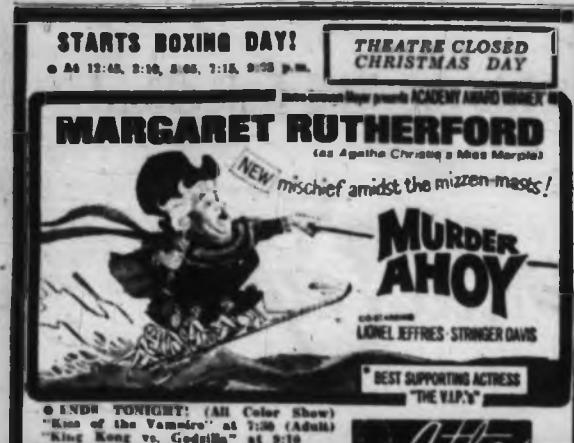
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# Astronauts Need 'Weight'

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Before such flights were pos-

sible, biochemist Marcel Florin said, "One should first solve this obstacle, perhaps by creating a form of artificial gravity inside the space capsule through rotation."

Florin attacked as "scandalous" a Belgian newspaper report

quoting him as saying that Soviet cosmonauts suffered mental disorders as a result of their space flights.

The newspaper, La Meuse, quoted Florin as saying the cosmonauts returned from space in an abnormal state."

They suffer from brain

trouble. They all showed mental anomalies."

He also was quoted as saying that Soviet cosmonaut Valentina Tereshkova "is actually in a very abnormal psychic state."

But Florin said that "When I made that speech (which La Meuse quoted), I couldn't even remember the woman's name."

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scandalous.

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## Soviets Reject Settlement Plan

UNITED NATIONS (CP) — The Soviet Union Wednesday rejected key points of a settlement plan on peace-keeping debts, throwing negotiations on the issue into confusion.

The rejection came just hours before the General Assembly was to meet to deal with the question of the Soviet debt and possible suspension of its assembly vote.

Western diplomats were astonished and annoyed by the Soviet move.

"There goes Christmas right up the ruddy spout," one commented sourly.

As late as Tuesday afternoon there had been high hopes that the plan would go through, providing for a "stabilization fund," into which the Soviets, French and other debtors could make payments to make up for their refusal to pay peace-keeping assessments voted by the Assembly.

New instructions from Moscow apparently caused the action, diplomats said.

Alex Quaison-Sackey of Ghana called in delegates of the Big Four and representatives of regional groupings late Wednesday in hopes that a pre-Christmas settlement could still be reached, but it was not successful.

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## SECOND NEWS SECTION

## Full Schedule

## Church Doors Open Wide Over Holiday

By IAN ARROL

Tis the season to be reverent as well as jolly and thousands will be attending church services tonight and Christmas Day in the Greater Victoria area.

Midnight mass will be celebrated in Roman Catholic churches throughout Vancouver Island, and mass will be held in these churches on Christmas Day.

At St. Andrew's Roman Catholic Cathedral, Blanshard and View, a choral service will precede midnight mass. At 11:30 p.m. girls from St. Ann's Academy will sing carols and a duo organ recital will be presented by Hugo Spilker and Jack Lenaghan.

Mass on Christmas Day at the Cathedral will be celebrated at 6:30, 8 and 9:30 a.m.; at 12:30 noon and at 5:15 p.m.

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At Anglican churches a choral eucharist will be celebrated at 11:30 p.m. in Christ Church Cathedral, Quadra and Rockland.

The Christmas Eve service in St. John's Anglican, Quadra at Mason, will begin at 11:15 p.m., and in St. Mary's on Elgin Road in Oak Bay at 11 p.m.

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In other Anglican churches the service will be at 11:30 p.m.; St. Matthias', corner of Richmond and Richardson; St. Luke's, Cedar Hill Cross Road and Cedar Hill Road; St. George the Martyr, Cadboro Bay and Maynard Roads; St. Barnabas', Belmont at Begbie; St. Saviour's, corner of Henry and Catherine.

A number of United Churches are holding Christmas Eve services: Esquimalt United, 500 Admirals, at 10:30 p.m.; Cadboro Bay United, 265 Arbutus, at 7:30 p.m.; Gordon United, 825 Goldstream, at 7:30 p.m.

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At Metropolitan United, 1411 Quadra, a Christmas Eve candlelight service will be held from 11:15 p.m. until midnight.

Victoria Unitarian Church, 106 Superior Street, will hold a half-hour service at 7:30 p.m.

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At 8 p.m. St. Mary's Boys' Choir will sing under the direction of Charles Palmer in the lounge of Oak Bay Beach Hotel.

A special service for the elderly who would like to attend one of the Christmas Eve services has been offered this year by the Citizens' Band Radio Club.

Anyone 65 and up who would like a free drive to and from the church of his choice may arrange for transportation by phoning car club secretary Tom Bennett at 385-4026.

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On Christmas Day, services will be held at 10 a.m. in the Salvation Army Citadel, 757 Pandora; Gordon Head United, 4375 Torquay Drive, and North Douglas Pentecostal Tabernacle, corner Douglas and Canterbury Road.

The Christmas service at Centennial United, Gorge Road at David Street, will be held at 10:30 a.m.

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Services at 11 a.m. will be held in Central Baptist, 811 Pandora Avenue; Gorge Presbyterian, Tilloo Road and Walter Avenue; Fairfield United, Fairfield and Moss; Oaklands Chapel, Fernwood and Cedar Hill Roads; Quadra Bible Chapel, Tolmie and Jackson.

The 11 a.m. service at First Baptist, Quadra at Mason, will be broadcast over CKDQ.

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The Lutheran Church of the Cross, Cedar Hill and Cedar Hill Cross Road, will also have an 11 a.m. Christmas Day service, as will Emmanuel Baptist, 1900 Fernwood, and Belmont United, 2033 Belmont.

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Communion on Christmas Day will be conducted in Anglican churches at the following times:

Christ Church Cathedral—7, 8 and 9:30 a.m. (family service); 10 a.m. (James Bay); 11 a.m. (choral eucharist). St. John's—8 and 11 a.m.; St. Mary's—7, 8:30 and 11 a.m. (matins and family service) and 12 noon; St. Matthias—8 and 11 a.m. (family service).

St. George's—9:30 and 11 a.m. (family communion); St. Barnabas—6, 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. (evensong); St. Saviour's—8 and 10 a.m.

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## North Island Covered

## Cooler Air, Snow Likely for City

Victoria is currently resting in a "diluted" area of warm and cool air which is likely to remain for the next few days, said weather forecaster William Mackie Wednesday.

Colder air took a grip on the rest of Vancouver Island, assuring most residents of a white Christmas.

Mr. Mackie said the outlook for the Christmas holiday in Victoria is for cooler weather, and some snow flurries are expected today.

**Same Pattern** The temperature should be between 35 and 38 degrees today after an overnight low of 29 degrees.

He said Victoria's weather pattern for the past week would likely remain. The city is on the edge of a weather system which is mixing warm Pacific air with cool northern air.

Outside Victoria the southwestern section of the province is still snowed in. Vancouver has 10 to 12 inches of snow and Nanaimo reports 18 inches.

Crews were working full time on Salt Spring Island to clear 200 miles of road covered with three feet of snow.

Colwood RCMP report the Malahat section of the Trans-Canada Highway is in good condition but snow tires or chains are necessary.

The Rogers Pass was partially blocked by 20 inches of snow earlier, but cars are now moving through the pass in convoys. Army artillery is being used to keep the avalanche threat in the pass area under control.

Meanwhile, many lower mainland children this year will have a white Christmas, the first since 1951.

## SNOW ON GROUND

The Vancouver weatherman predicted a temperature of 32 degrees and snow on the ground for Christmas Day.

More than 27 inches of snow covered parts of the lower mainland Wednesday.

Saanich police answered a burglar alarm call to the Saanich municipal hall Wednesday night but found they were not needed although they might have liked to stay.

The office staff was throwing a Christmas party.

## Last Cards In Mail Now

Victoria postal department will see the last of this year's Christmas cards by 9 a.m. today.

"We only have a few left now, and we will see the last of them by the morning," a spokesman said Wednesday.

The last of the Christmas parcels are expected to leave the post office by 8 a.m.

At one point the post office was handling up to 600,000 Christmas cards per day.

## Celebration Alarming

Saanich police answered a burglar alarm call to the Saanich municipal hall Wednesday night but found they were not needed although they might have liked to stay.

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Generous Victorians have proved there really is a Santa Claus.

Co-ordinating the work of 150 organizations, the Christmas Bureau reported Wednesday night that 1,056 needy families have been registered with them—and the community has provided the means to make possible a good Christmas for each.

Chief John Albany of the Songhees Band phoned Wednesday night to say:

"All day I have been delivering 500 Fund cheques and bureau toy vouchers to needy Indian families."

The people are most joyous and extend greetings to all who

donated and helped so much."

The chief said that among those who helped he was most impressed with the children who donated out of their little savings or through school collections.

**POPCORN SALE** Two such were Elinor Richter, 11, 1519 Cedar Glen Road and Mary Clarkson, 11, 170 Beach Drive, who brought \$22.03 to the Daily Colonist 500 Fund.

The money was raised through the sale of popcorn in their class at St. Patrick's School.

This kind of support was duplicated by that given to dozens of organizations and associations who had their own programs to help the needy.

They were assisted, as was the 500 Fund, by donations from clubs, chapters, guilds, lodges, auxiliaries, associations and sisterhoods.

Then, 200 young people from joined in with old-age pensioners and war veterans.

These are the Sidney Teens who were organized by Sidney Elks Lodge in November of last year. The teens have Saturday night dances every two weeks, and from their funds made the donation.

And Wednesday cheerful young card started arriving from those who the same day had received 500 Fund \$25 cheques.

**Motorcyclist In Collision** A young motorcyclist escaped serious injury Tuesday night in a collision with a car at Richmond and Haultain.

Robert C. Thomas, 20, of 1725 Denman was treated for leg and head injuries at Royal Jubilee Hospital and released.

Police identified the driver of the car as Edgar B. Holmes, 336 Newport.

## Telescope's Dome To Get New Look

Dominion Astrophysical Observatory will have a new look next year when alterations to the 72-inch telescope dome are completed. Tenders have been called for alterations to the main floor. The old workshop will become an exhibition room where pictures, transparencies and some equipment will be displayed.



## Condition Critical

## Electric Shock Fells Prisoner

A prison inmate knocked from a power pole by electrical shock Wednesday morning was reported still in critical condition in hospital at press time.

Norman Fischer, 43, a qualified electrician, had climbed the pole to replace a light bulb below the cross-arm, said Warden Gamaliel Milner of William Head minimum security institution.

A prison inquiry completed a few hours later indicated there were no eye-witnesses to the accident.



Colleen

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## Seen in Passing

Colleen Pecash greeting a customer. (A nurse receptionist, she lives at 305 Inverness. Her hobbies are bowling, dancing and music.) ... Les Walbell mailing an outstanding sportsman's calendar ... Dave Melstrom locking himself out of his car ... Winston Jackson preparing for a trip ... Jack Moffat looking for a dictionary ... Joyce

Sorenson deciding not to go fishing over the long weekend ... Larry and Betty Bumby having lunch with friends ... John Tides discussing the UN Club ... Hugh Wade closing shop ... Eila Mae Connor getting stuck in a car ... Claudia Laverte returning home from St. Boniface for Christmas ... Ann Basal visiting her parents ... Ken Clark burning incense.

## Blind Victorians To Tour Lights

The South Van Isle Lions Club will take about 20 blind persons on a motor tour of the city Monday to view the Christmas decorations.

A club spokesman said the decorations would be described to the blind persons, some of whom have partial vision.

It is one of the first projects of the recently-formed club.



Helping hands: Elinor Richter, Mary Clarkson

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# ANN LANDERS



Dear Ann Landers: The woman who described herself as "A mother who sacrificed everything for her children and received nothing in return" is responsible for my first letter to a newspaper.

It is my observation that these self-styled "sacrificing mothers" and you could have heard him make emotional cripples out of bolling a block away. He refuses to admit he has put on a couple of fingers. When you feel a weak little fell hanging by a few threads, get busy. A stitch in time can save more for you. Now do something getting tight.

Unfortunately, I'm not a fortune teller and I can't tell from tight.

The "sacrificing mom" attaches herself like a barnacle. If a child shakes loose and becomes independent, "sacrificing mom" tries to make him guilty for "neglecting" her.

My mother was one of those "sacrificers." It took years of therapy to straighten me out. I vowed if I ever had children I would never make them feel obligated to me. And I've kept that vow. I asked my children for nothing, yet they are attentive, considerate and loving.

Please, Ann Landers, keep telling mothers to live their own lives and leave their children alone. What more can parents ask than that their children are also their friends? — NO STRINGS ATTACHED.

Dear No Strings: You have given your children a legacy of straight thinking to hand down to their children. How wonderful for all of you.

Dear Ann Landers: You are no friend to women, believe me. I almost dropped my eyeglasses in my coffee cup when I read your attack on wives who sometimes overlook a missing shirt button. I'm beginning to wonder if YOU have all your buttons. Ann Landers.

It so happens that my husband is an absolute nut about his shirts, so I check them carefully before I place them in the drawer. But what can I do when he puts on a shirt and a button pops off?

Last week it happened twice.

## Festive Parties

FULFORD—Planning Christmas parties and family gatherings are the R. Lee family. Mr. and Mrs. Pat Lee of Victoria, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lee of Ganges with Mr. and Mrs. C. Lee and members of each family will gather at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Lee for Christmas dinner.

These distinctive Christmas bauble designs combine common pointed paper cups with gay trimmings. Let your imagination work freely if you like these ideas. There's no end to the combinations of fabrics and trims you can create. Make your pattern for covering the cups by cutting a paper cup in half lengthwise. Then place half-cup pattern on folded material and cut around it. You can use scraps of fabric left over from dress-making. For the centre trims, use ribbon, ball fringe, braid, lace — whatever you have. Another idea: wrap the cups in layers of fringed tissue paper in brilliant colors. These imaginative ornaments will give your tree a truly imaginative look. (Better Homes and Gardens)

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## Mrs. H. Faryon Heads Group

Mrs. H. M. Faryon was elected president of Cadboro Bay United Church Women at annual meeting held at Sutton Place home of Mrs. Chris Pike.

Other officers elected were Mrs. F. W. Whitehouse, secretary; Mrs. G. Barnes, treasurer; Mrs. R. A. Peterson, community friendship; Mrs. Pike, membership; Mrs. D. Coulter, press and publicity; Mrs. D. Message, social functions; Mrs. W. Wright.

### CHEESE NUTRITION

Cheese is an excellent source of protein, vitamin A, riboflavin and calcium.

### REPORT

Report was made that annual bazaar held in November realized sum of \$310.

Following business meeting a social evening took place and featured games and carol singing. Mrs. J. R. Giegerich was in charge of the entertainment. Refreshments were served by Mrs. D. Message.

### TRICOLOR SYMBOL

The poinsettia, named after Joel Poinsett—U.S. Minister to Mexico in 1825—originates in tropic America unlike other winter-blooming Christmas symbols.

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## Hair Hazard

NOTTINGHAM, England (CP)—Girl students at Nottingham University have their hair insured for £50,000 against it falling out through chemicals used in the university hair-dressing shop.

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Listed below are only a few of many other useful serving pieces available in all patterns			
Berry Spoon	<b>14.25</b>	Lemon Fork	<b>5.25</b>
Cake Knife	<b>11.00</b>	Pie Knife	<b>9.75</b>
Cold Meat Fork	<b>16.00</b>	Sugar Tongs	<b>9.75</b>

Prices quoted are for Chantilly pattern  
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## PERSONAL MENTION

Cpl. and Mrs. Arthur Dodsworth and their two children, Stephen and Sharon have come from the RCAF base at Holberg, B.C. to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Dodsworth, Yale Street, and Mr. and Mrs. C. Wildig, Transit Road.

### Visiting in London

Signing the book at British Columbia House in London during the past week was Mr. John Tait of Victoria.

### From Vancouver

Miss Eleanor Hanna arrived from Vancouver yesterday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barracough, Lansdowne Road.

### Spend Christmas Here

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Gellert (nee Gloria Watson) will spend Christmas with Mrs. Watson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Watson, Ferndale Road. They will leave for their new home in North Carolina on Dec. 28.

### In San Francisco

Victorians holidaying in San Francisco who have signed the register at British Columbia House include Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Nicolson and Mr. and Mrs. Cyril LeBus.

### In Hawaii

Mr. and Mrs. Evan Jones are at the Edgewater Hotel at Waikiki for the Christmas and New Year holiday. They expect to return about the middle of January.



There's still time to make your own tree, using apples and a broom handle.

## Make Your Own Festive Tree

Christmas isn't all neon-lit and mass-produced, according to Mrs. Daphne Weber, Highland Drive, West Vancouver, creator of a unique Apple Tree. Christmas is an opportunity for families to express simple ingenuity by creating their own holiday atmosphere, she claims. "There's more happiness in creating Christmas than buying it," says Daphne.

For those who want to share Daphne Weber's Christmas spirit, the apple tree requires little in terms of time, materials and cost.

#### Material required:

1 - 20' broom handle or 1' round tree stock; 1 medium-size planting pot approximately 12" diameter; 4 dozen apples (Red

Delicious, Golden Delicious and Green Newtown); 1-2' sheet styrofoam 2" x 12" x 22" or chicken wire shaped in a cone; glue or rubber cement; Christmas baubles, beads, etc.; 4 dozen wood skewers; Pebbles; white or sprayed green or red; Small evergreen twigs.

Mark styrofoam sheet in middle of 12' end. Draw line from each opposite corner to this point. Saw or cut lengthwise on this line. You now have a large triangle or cone. At 12' base in the centre, scoop out a groove 1" x 8" for the broom handle.

Glue together uncut sides of the two remaining styrofoam pieces to make the same shape as the 1st tree form. Scoop out sections for broom handle and

glue tree forms together with broom handle in place. Now fix the handle firmly in the pot or urn. (Put in small wood braces on 4 or 5 sides between broom handle and pot.) Add the pebbles.

Pierce apples with wooden skewers and push into styrofoam form. Hang baubles on wood skewers, add boughs and at the last, string of beads. Velvet bows and pine cones may be added if desired.

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## DICK'S LADIES' WEAR

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Little Sally Mcckercher isn't too sure what Christmas is all about, but she knows that it is a happy time. Those glittering packages look pretty interesting to her. Sally, who is a 14-month-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Mcckercher of Vancouver, has

been staying with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Mcckercher of Montreal, who are wintering in Victoria. The Mcckerchers took Sally to Vancouver Wednesday to spend Christmas at her home. —(Kinsman)

## Heirloom Locket, Bible For 'Something Old'

Mauve and white chrysanthemums were on the altar of St. Alban's Anglican Church for the wedding of Margaret Susanne Berg and Mr. Richard Kenneth Telford.

Rev. F. W. Hayes officiated at the late-afternoon ceremony for the daughter of Mrs. L. K. Berg, Sedall, Alta., and the late Mr. Berg, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Telford, Prince George. Mr. Walter Hamilton was organist.

Fulfilling the tradition of "something old" the bride carried an heirloom maroon-toned velvet Bible belonging to her great-great-grandfather and wore a gold locket belonging to her great-grandmother. White gardenias topped the Bible.

Given in marriage by her brother, Mr. Karl Berg, the bride was lovely in a floor-length gown of white chiffon velvet featuring a chapel-length train. The bodice was styled with a cowl neckline and three-quarter-length sleeves with wide rolled cuffs. A self-fabric comet caught her floor-length veil.

Burgundy-toned two-piece velvet suits with matching satin corsets were worn by bridesmaids, the Misses Le Vaughn Berg, Longhead, Alta., and Margaret Hawes, Montreal, P.Q., cousins of the bride. They carried bouquets of white and mauve chrysanthemums.

Four-year-old Cathy Shields was a flower girl for her cousin in a white velvet frock accented with a burgundy satin sash. She wore a white velvet bow in her hair and carried a bouquet of white and mauve chrysanthemums.

Her three-year-old brother, Bobby, was ringbearer. He wore a white velvet suit with a burgundy bow tie.

Mr. Bryan Telford, the groom's brother, and Mr. Kenneth Fotheringham were best men. Ushers were Mr. Kenneth Hawes, the bride's cousin, and Mr. Harrington Berg, her brother.

A three-tier wedding cake topped with white sweetheart roses, centred the head table at a buffet supper that followed in the Monterey Avenue home of the bride's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Hawes. Arrangements of mauve and white chrysanthemums.

In the afternoon, the bride and groom were entertained by a band.

santhemums and roses in silver vases flanked by heirloom silver candelabra completed the decorations.

Mr. Ted Stanley proposed the toast to the bride's happiness. Leaving on a honeymoon trip to Jasper Park, the bride donned a dark blue wool suit highlighted with black fox collar and cuffs. Black accessories and cream rolls on corsage completed the ensemble.

The newlyweds will make their home in Calgary, Alta.

New members initiated during the evening were Mrs. J. Foyer, and Mrs. E. Brown.

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## Newlyweds to Make Home in Vancouver

Lynne Marie Burger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burger, 1855 Emery Place, became the bride of Mr. Mark John Andrews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Andrews, Grand Falls, Nfld., Wednesday afternoon at a civil ceremony in the Parliament Buildings.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a street-length sheath gown of white satin brocade. A white satin rose held her shoulder-length veil and for "something old" she wore a brooch made from material used in her grandmother's wedding dress. She carried a cascade bouquet of white roses and holly.

The newlyweds will make their home in Vancouver.

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# TV TALK

By BRUCE LOWTHER

**TV NOTES:** On this day before Christmas -- and may yours be merry -- the news is less than merry, unfortunately. For example -- Madison Avenue says longtime CBS president James Aubrey will be fired if he doesn't get his ratings back -- sponsors are lining up deepest for the so-called "sexials." Peyton Place is going three evenings a week next spring and Long, Hot Summer begins Friday evenings in April and adds Mondays next fall -- Profiles in Courage will run its 26 episodes until May, then quit without any reruns -- in Birmingham, England, George Walters, 21, was charged with trying to murder his wife by connecting an electric wire to a door handle, an idea he got from a TV show.

Some news is good -- Abe Burrows is writing his first TV series, for Burl Ives -- Diana Donat will star as a private eye in a BBC series -- National Educational Television Association president Richard Hull will be named by Lyndon Johnson to the U.S. Federal Communications Commission -- and Rudy Vallee says he will retire in 1966 when he becomes 65 and my annuity comes in."

## Thursday's Highlights

Christmas carols and other music -- Channel 8 at 6:30 p.m., Channel 4 at 7:00, Channel 7 at 11:15. Channels 2 and 7 at 11:30.

Christmas Eve church services -- Channel 5 at 11:00 p.m., Protestant from Seattle; Channel 13 at 11:00, Seattle Protestant; Channel 4 at 11:15, New York City Protestant; Channel 11 at 11:45, Tacoma Protestant; Channel 4 at 12:00, Washington, D.C. Catholic; Channel 5 at 12:00, New York City Catholic; Channel 7 at 12:00, New York City Protestant.

7:00 p.m. -- KOMO's staff Christmas -- 4.

7:30 -- Ed Wynn makes one of his infrequent appearances as a comedian on The Entertainers -- 12.

9:00 -- The Defenders repeats its popular comedy Claire Cheval Died in Boston. On Channel 7 at 10:26.

## Thursday's Movies

9:00 a.m. -- I'll Be Seeing You (1941 romance), Joseph Cotton, Ginger Rogers -- 4.

11:30 -- Holiday Affair (1949 romance, part two), Robert Mitchum, Janet Leigh -- 12.

1:00 p.m. -- Mr. Imperium (terrible 1951 musical), Lana Turner, Ezio Pinza, Marjorie Main -- 2.

1:00 -- Sword of Monte Cristo (1951 adventure) -- 6.8.

2:00 -- Submarine Patrol (1938 adventure), Richard Greene, Preston Foster -- 11.

3:30 -- Force of Arms (1951 romance), William Holden -- 5.

3:30 -- Double Cross (1941 crime drama) -- 13.

4:30 -- Gulliver's Travels (air 1939 cartoon) -- 11.

5:00 -- Cockeyed Miracle (1946 comedy) -- 8.

5:30 -- Invisible Boy (1937 horror), Richard Eyer -- 12.

7:00 -- Piped of Hamelin (1956 TV version), Van Johnson, Kay Starr, Claude Raines -- 11.

7:00 -- The Gay Falcon (1941 mystery) -- 13.

10:00 -- Miracle on 34th Street (1947 heart-tugger), Edmund Gwenn as Santa in Macy's, with Natalie Wood, Maureen O'Hara, John Payne, a good supporting cast -- 11.

11:00 -- Three for the Show (1955 romance), Jack Lemmon, Betty Grable, Marg and Gower Champion -- 12.

12:00 -- Light Up the Sky (1960 comedy), Ian Carmichael and his English gang -- 2.

12:30 -- Caribbean Gold (1952 adventure), Arlene Dahl, John Payne, Whatever happened to Christmas? -- 12.

## Thursday's Radio

7:30 p.m. -- Handel's Messiah, live -- CBU (690). 7:45 -- Handel's Messiah, recorded -- KLSN-FM (96.5). 11:30 -- A Christmas carol service from St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Toronto -- CBU.

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## Appeal to Cabinet

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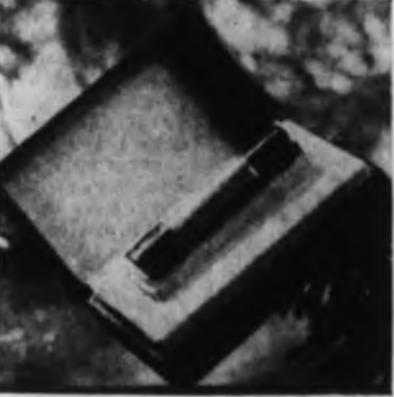
One of the first organizations to act allows such an appeal to enter the battle against the within 28 days of the PUC decision bus fare boost. Greater Victoria said. Citizens is still fighting against. The section also states that the increase authorized by the cabinet may refuse to hear Public Utilities Commission for the appeal.

Urging other groups to make appeals, Mrs. Peaker said that in the meantime, anyone opposed to the bus fare increase could telephone a cabinet minister to protest the boost.

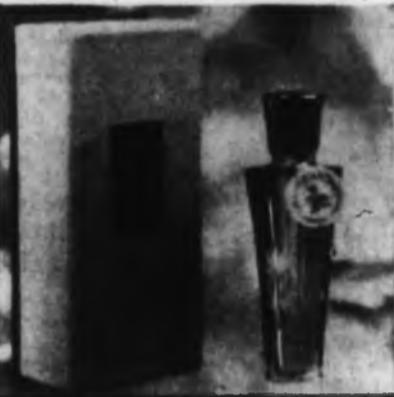
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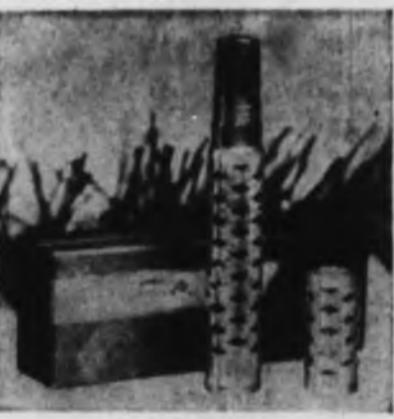
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## Quebec Separatist Group May Seek House Seat

QUEBEC CITY (UPI)—Le Rassemblement Pour l'Indépendance Nationale (RIN), Quebec's largest separatist group, may contest one of the two coming provincial by-elections. RIN vice-president Guy Pouliot said here Wednesday night.

Pouliot was commenting on a front-page story in Wednesday's issue of the French-language daily "Le Soleil," which predicted the opposition Union Nationale party would

not contest the by-election in St. Maurice or Terrebonne ridings.

If the RIN does field a candidate, it would be the first time the four-year-old separatist party, which claims membership of 7,000, has gone to the people. It would also test just how strong its appeal was.

The elections, to be held three days before the legislature resumes, will fill vacancies caused by the appointment of an MLA to the bench and the ascension of another one to the legislative council, Quebec's upper House.

## Forget Monarchy Levesque Urges

MONTREAL (CP)—Le Devoir quotes René Levesque, Quebec resources minister, as saying the British monarchy is "a dusty affair that ought to disappear."

"There is an English section of the country that has much more difficulty than we have in getting rid of the old habits of monarchy."

"But the monarchy and everything that surrounds it is a lot of poppycock that should be disregarded, forgotten, as soon as possible."



## Spurns U.S. Assistance

## Nasser Admits Aid To Congo Rebels

### Robarts Wants Ensign To Be Ontario's Flag

TORONTO (CP)—Premier Robarts said Wednesday he will ask the legislature to approve the Red Ensign as Ontario's flag.

The only change to the Ensign would be the addition of the Ontario coat of arms, Mr. Robarts said.

## Flaming U.S. Bomber Destroys Two Homes

DEBARY, Fla. (UPI)—A U.S. Navy twin-jet bomber exploded in flight Wednesday and crashed into a quiet residential street with a tremendous cushion and a ball of fire that destroyed two homes and damaged others hundreds of feet away.

The pilot, Cmdr. Cornelius V. Nolta Jr., father of six, parachuted out at low level and was killed. The bombardier-navigator, Lieut. Paul Stokes, 35, suffered a back injury in the last-minute bail-out.

But only one person in the homes was hurt. Another was badly burned.

The reconnaissance bomber

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## Popular Soviet Resort

## The Merry Minsk Drunk Ward

MOSCOW (AP)—The gov of sober drunks," Izvestia implied Wednesday that one of the most popular vacation spots in the Soviet Union is the drunk ward of a hospital in Minsk. Under the headline "the life

complained that phoney alcoholics have turned hospital wards into resorts and, at the same time, get paid.

Furthermore, Izvestia said, they don't even have to give up vodka.

The article centred on the hospital in Minsk. But it said similar conditions prevail in other regions.

One engineer, Izvestia said, plays drunk and gets admitted once a year for a rest of a month or more.

Izvestia gave these reasons for the long waiting list:

Free hospital food, including ample second helpings.

Warm rooms, clear light, radio and television sets, chess, dominoes and a large supply of books available.

More than 30 hospital workers provide service.

Patients, under the Communist system, are treated free by the state. In addition, patients get certificates from doctors which allow them to collect their regular salaries.

## West Coast Yards

# STILL CHANCE FOR SHIP JOB

By DON GAIN

West coast shipyards have not been ruled out as possible sources of ships in the government's re-equipment program, Defence Minister Hellyer told The Daily Colonist from Ottawa Wednesday.

But there was little reassurance in the defence minister's replies to questions about his stand that the policy of allocating shipbuilding to different yards across the country is the "most inefficient way ever devised by man to build ships."

Regional tendering is the only fair way to handle contracts for the \$200,000,000 shipbuilding program, according to John Wallace, general manager of Yarrow Ltd.

### COMPETITION

"West coast shipyards have a competitive problem they're going to have to look at very closely," Mr. Hellyer said. "They are high-cost yards but they haven't been ruled out."

The shipbuilding program includes four helicopter-destroyer and two fleet support ships, all expected to be built in Canada.

A submarine to replace the Esquimalt-based HMCS Grilse, on loan from the U.S. Navy, will probably not be built in Canada, according to an Ottawa report.

### MEET HELLYER

Representatives of Canadian shipyards will meet Mr. Hellyer and other government officials next month for a briefing on the shipbuilding program, according to William Hudson, president of the Canadian Shipbuilders and Ship Repairers Association.

Mr. Hudson is vice-president of Burrard Dry Dock, North Vancouver.

The meeting was arranged some time ago, he said, but no date has been set.

### WEST COAST

"We expect to get a share of this work on the west coast," he said.

"It is inconceivable," said Mayor R. B. Wilson, "that all the work would be done in the

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## Salmon in Street

REDDING, Calif. (AP)—Salmon from the flooded Scott River were seen Wednesday swimming down main street in the northern California town of Callahan.

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## Town Full of Mud

upper left and washed out bridges to cut off town of about 800. Water system broke down and most of town was without electricity.—(AP)

## Smash-Grab Theft Near Police Office

ALBERNI—Police are investigating the smash-grab theft of three transistor radios and a tape recorder from a downtown store within a block of the Alberni RCMP detachment office.

Total value of the loot from Alberni Electric was about \$214. A front window of the store was smashed and the items were lifted from a window display.

## Alberni's Beaver Creek

# School Story: Mice, Crises

By MARGARET TREBETT

ALBERNI — Two pioneers, a portrait of Queen Victoria, mice and crisis after crisis are milestones in the educational history of the rural Beaver Creek area, which is getting a modern, bright and well-equipped new school.

The history began Aug. 1, 1887, when the first pupils walked over forest trails to a log schoolhouse 16 feet wide by 24 feet long, took their places on wooden benches and were called to order by Arthur Proctor.

The school had been erected that spring and summer by pioneers Capt. George Huff and Edmund Gill, who helped in many ways to build the institu-

tions and lay the foundation for the present way of life in the Alberni Valley.

Mr. Proctor, the first public school teacher in the valley, taught three days a week in the one-room Alberni school near the site of the present Gill Elementary.

Then he walked or went on horseback to Beaver Creek to conduct classes each Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

## Farmer Gave Acre

He remained in the district until 1890 when he went to McGill University to become a doctor, settling later in Vancouver.

Oldtimers believe Charles F. Bishop, the farmer who gave an acre of land for the Beaver Creek school site, succeeded Mr. Proctor for some months until Miss Annie E. Green was appointed.

There were 11 names on the register when the school opened in 1887. One was that of Bertha Nicholas, 9, who lived nearby and attended the Alberni school. She went on the roll and marched present for nine days in Beaver Creek to bring the average attendance to the level required for a school.

For the next 35 years, crisis followed crisis as each term saw

the danger of closure of the school because of a pupil shortage.

Etta Nicholas once filled the same function her sister had. Robt. Dickson was enrolled in October, 1890, when he was only four.

Several youngsters who had completed the courses were kept on the register and sometimes actually attended school. When Alexander Shaw was the teacher, he brought three of his grandchildren from Nanaimo to keep the school open.

The first class included Heman Halpenny, Douglas McKenzie, Simon McKenzie, Fred Waring, Robert Waring, Harry Waring, Septimus Waring, Mary Halpenny, Margaret McKenzie, Annie Bishop and Bertha Nicholas.

## First Sunday School

As far as is known, only Annie Bishop, now Mrs. Pillar of Victoria, is living today.

John S. Jolly, a young farmer on land now occupied by the Shannon family, succeeded Miss Green as teacher. He held the first Sunday school in Beaver Creek.

Miss Edith DeBou probably started her teaching career here. She taught in various parts of H.C. and lived to a ripe old age.

Miss Ethel Dunkerly was not yet 18 when she came in 1892 to take over the class. She taught for four years, married district farmer Stanley Bayne and, a daughter of the master great-grandmother now lives at Sprout Lake.

## Frame Replacement

Mr. Shaw was the last teacher he built a rowboat and rowed alone to Victoria to take his first teacher-qualification exam.

Before 1899, he instituted the first electric power plant in the Nanaimo area. It was after losing his investment in that venture that he taught at Beaver Creek, starting while in his late 60s.

He remained until 1906, then took over school board duties until returning to Nanaimo in 1913.

Mr. Shaw is remembered as a lay preacher who also operated the post office, raised pigs and kept a garden.

Former pupils long remembered the portrait of Queen Victoria which hung at the front of the schoolroom for 20 years after her death in 1901.

They also recall the organ with mice in its interior, the snowball fights in the schoolyard, the picnics and concerts and the pails of water carried from Beaver Creek and placed with the dipper on the bench in the hallway.

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## Five Die In Crash

MONTRÉAL (CP)—Five persons on the way to work, including a brother and two sisters, were killed Tuesday in a car-truck crash at the beginning of snowstorm.

## Christmas Magic Belongs to Very Young

# Bang! Crash! Santa Fell in Tub

Christmas could not pass on the arms, lashed to the old kitchen range (an 1870 Mayflower), a huge thing which took up a good part of the large kitchen-living room, and also by pots of water heating on the stove.

By BEA HAMILTON

It was the night before Christmas and, as by tradition, it should have been calm and expectant with stockings hanging and happy children's voices singing carols.

Well, there was a child's voice all right—mine. And it wasn't happy nor was it singing.

In fact, I was raising a fuss because I had heard my big brothers remark they were going to set a trap for Santa by leaving a tub of water at the foot of the stairs.

Agonizing Din

I made an agonizing din and when my brothers saw and heard my distress, they promised they would leave Santa to wend his way as usual.

He would pick up his apple and a piece of Christmas cake, left ready on the kitchen table, and ho ho ho his way over the chimney tops after leaving our stockings bulging.

Feeling I had saved Santa, I was put to bed and told to go to sleep or Santa wouldn't come.

My stocking hung comfortingly near and I kept feeling it to see if it had been filled.

Now, our old home boasted no plumbing or lighting beyond the old oil lamps.

To have a bath, members of the family took turns, heating water in the large boiler at

pantry and placed beside the old, and then I heard:

Bang! Crash! Santa had fallen into the tub!

I reached out fearfully to touch my stocking and, wonder of wonders, Santa had filled it before he fell into the water.

All was well and I hugged my stocking and listened sleepily to the sound of a door shutting, footsteps going . . . going . . .

## Anxious Child

I was a worried little girl—would Santa Claus come and catch my sister in the bath? I wasn't worried about my sister's feelings but I didn't want Santa shocked—he might never come near us again.

Finally about 11:30 I dozed I could hear all the reindeer tiny reindeer—all fancies and myths if you like, and also thrilling mysteries of things hard to understand.

I'd stretch the longest night

in the year, Christmas Eve, to even longer hours, for these are the things no little child should miss if he or she wants to grow up to be an understanding man or woman.

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## Around the Island

## Trustees Honored

COURTENAY—Presentations to two retiring members of the Courtenay district school board were made at the board's recent Christmas dinner meeting in Bevan Lodge.

Trustee Jack Nicol made the presentations to board chair man James Simon, who has served nine years, and Gunner Johnson, a 10-year trustee. In a brief business session, the board approved preliminary plans for Glacier View school addition for submission to the provincial education department.

CUMBERLAND—Robert Rush has been remanded without plea to court on charges of shoplifting. Magistrate Lionel Beevor-Potts, who set bail at \$50, was told Rush is charged with stealing a pinup calendar from the Nanaimo News Stand and two pairs of women's panties from Woolworth's store.

PARKSVILLE—W. W. C. O'Neill has been re-elected president of the Parksville Old Age Pensioners Organization at its annual meeting. Other officers are C. W. R. Attwood, secretary-treasurer; E. J. Tucker, first vice-president; S. V. Davis, second vice-president, and Mrs. E. J. Tucker, Mrs. T. Cartie, Mrs. V. Anderson, Mrs. A. Ayliffe, Tom Hannan and J. W. Whitfield. Next regular meeting will be held Jan. 8.

DUNCAN—The 1965 slate of officers for the AOTS Club here will be installed Jan. 28, club

officials have announced. The officers, elected last year, are

Ernie Stafford, president; John Cowans, vice-president; Bill Kenyon, secretary, and Jim Jackson, treasurer. Installing officer will be Reg Attwell of Nanaimo, president of the district council.

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PARKSVILLE—The school drama club, Grade 9 students and the choir were among the entertainers at closing exercises Tuesday in Cumberland Junior Secondary School. Other performers were actors Bruce Welsh and Bill Wellman and accordionist Althea Horne. Donnie Laird won a humorous door prize.

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## Quebec Separatists May Contest Seat

QUEBEC CITY (UPI)—Le Rassemblement Pour l'Indépendance Nationale (RIN), Quebec's largest separatist group, may contest one of the two coming provincial by-elections. RIN vice-president Guy Pouliot said here Wednesday night.

Pouliot was commenting on a front-page story in Wednesday's issue of the French-language daily "Le Soleil," which predicted the opposition Union Nationale party would

not contest the by-election in St. Maurice or Terrebonne ridings.

If the RIN does field a candidate, it would be the first time the four-year-old separatist party, which claims membership of 7,000, has gone to the people. It would also test just how strong its appeal was.

The elections, to be held three days before the legislature resumes, will fill vacancies caused by the appointment of an MLA to the bench and the ascension of another one to the legislative council, Quebec's upper House.

# STILL CHANCE FOR SHIP JOBS



By DON GAIN

West coast shipyards have not been ruled out as possible sources of ships in the government's re-equipment program, Defence Minister Hellyer told The Daily Colonist from Ottawa Wednesday.

But there was little reassurance in the defence minister's replies to questions about his stand that the policy of allocating shipbuilding to different yards across the country is the "most inefficient way ever devised by man to build ships."

Regional tendering is the only fair way to handle contracts for the \$200,000,000 shipbuilding program, according to John Wallace, general manager of Yarrows Ltd.

### COMPETITION

"West coast shipyards have a competitive problem they're going to have to look at very closely," Mr. Hellyer said. "They are high-cost yards but they haven't been ruled out."

The shipbuilding program includes four helicopter-destroyer and two fleet support ships, all expected to be built in Canada.

A submarine to replace the Esquimalt-based HMCS Grilse, on loan from the U.S. Navy, will probably not be built in Canada, according to an Ottawa report.

### MEET HELLYER

Representatives of Canadian shipyards will meet Mr. Hellyer and other government officials next month for a briefing on the shipbuilding program, according to William Hudson, president of the Canadian Shipbuilders and Ship Repairers Association.

Mr. Hudson is vice-president of Burrard Dry Dock, North Vancouver.

The meeting was arranged some time ago, he said, but no date has been set.

### WEST COAST

"We expect to get a share of this work on the west coast," he said.

"It is inconceivable," said Mayor R. B. Wilson, "that all the work would be done in Canada."

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## Spurns U.S. Assistance

## Nasser Admits Sending Arms to Congo Rebels

### Robarts Wants Ensign To Be Ontario's Flag

TORONTO (CP)—Premier Robarts said Wednesday he will ask the legislature to approve the Red Ensign as Ontario's flag.

The only change to the Ensign would be the addition of the Ontario coat of arms, Mr. Robarts said.

## Flaming U.S. Bomber Destroys Two Homes

DEBARY, Fla. (AP)—A U.S. Navy twin-jet bomber exploded in flight Wednesday and crashed into a quiet residential street with a tremendous concussion and a ball of fire that destroyed two homes and damaged others hundreds of feet away.

The pilot, Cmdr. Cornelius V. Nolta Jr., father of six, parachuted at low level and was killed. The bombardier-navigator, Lieut. Paul Stokes, 35, suffered a back injury in the last-minute bail-out.

But only one person in the homes was hurt. Another was badly burned.

The reconnaissance bomber

crashed between two houses and dug a crater 75 feet wide and 35 feet deep. It disintegrated, with not a piece over three feet.

### ECONOMIC PRESSURE

Accusing U.S. Ambassador Lucius Battle of trying to put economic pressure on Egypt, Nasser said: "We do not accept pressure from anyone."

He charged the U.S. with ag-

gression in The Congo and, for the first time, admitted the United Arab Republic was sending arms to the Congo rebels.

"We will continue to send arms to The Congo," he declared.

### SAIGON

SAIGON (AP)—Plans for an anti-American campaign that might include street demonstrations have been laid before

South Viet Nam's military hierarchy by Lt.-Gen. Nguyen Khanh in the dispute over civil rule, informed sources said Wednesday night.

AMBASSADOR MAXWELL D. TAYLOR, who is in his sixth month as the U.S. envoy to Saigon, was described as potentially a specific target.

No immediate reaction was evident among leading South Vietnamese factions to U.S.

State Secretary Rusk's call in

Washington for shelving of per-

sonal animosities.

## Ticker Tape Parade

Hustle and bustle of Toronto Stock Exchange took on festive tone Wednesday when Salvation Army musical group visited floor of exchange for brief program of Christmas songs. Trading continued normally, but musicians drew applause.—(CP)

## Transport Plane Crashes

### With Three Men

SAN BRUNO, Calif. (UPI)—A four-engine Flying Tiger Airline's cargo plane with three men aboard crashed into the San Bruno Mountain early today.

U.S. Federal Aviation Agency reported.

He said he presumed the only persons aboard the plane, Flight 915 out of San Francisco, were its three crew members.

The FAA air route traffic control centre at Fremont, which was in direct communication with San Francisco Airport, said the crash occurred minutes after the plane took off.

The aircraft was going to John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York, an FAA spokesman said. "It took off at 12:29 a.m. and left the radar scope almost immediately."

San Bruno police said the Super Constellation apparently exploded after flying into the mountain above County Jail Road.

There are no houses or buildings in the crash area.

Police switchboards were flooded by calls from persons who heard the explosion.

"We thought it was an earthquake at first," one officer said.

Police said the explosion threw pieces of wreckage over a wide area with some persons reporting debris in their yards as far as a half mile away.

## Popular Soviet Resort

## The Merry Minsk Drunk Ward

MOSCOW (AP)—The government newspaper Izvestia implied Wednesday that one of the most popular vacation spots in the Soviet Union is the drunk ward of a hospital in Minsk. Under the headline "the life

of sober drunks," Izvestia complained that phoney alcoholics have turned hospital in Minsk. But it said similar conditions prevail in wards into resorts and, at the same time, get paid.

One engineer, Izvestia said, plays drunk and gets admitted once a year for a rest of a month or more.

Izvestia gave these reasons for the long waiting list:

Free hospital food, including ample second helpings.

Warm rooms, clear light, radio and television sets, chess, dominoes and a large supply of books available.

More than 30 hospital workers to provide service.

Patients, under the Communist system, are treated free by the state. In addition, patients get certificates from doctors which allow them to collect their regular salaries.



## Town Full of Mud

Mud and boulders swept in by flooding cover entire section of isolated town of Rufus, Ore., Wednesday. Debris littered town when water flooded from normally dry canyon at